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BIRTHS.

DALY—July 10, 1926, at Lough Mask House, The Neale, County Mayo, to Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Daly, a daughter.

FINLAY—July 14, 1926, the wife of the late T. W. Finlay, Ulster Bank, Ballyconnell, of a son.

MOORE—July 19, 1926, to Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Bank House, Mallow, a daughter.

O'REILLY—July 20, 1926, at 40 Upper Fitzwilliam street, to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. O'Reilly, 109 Anglesea road, Donnybrook, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

BUCKNEY and MORRISON—July 16, 1926, at Raudom, Frank Buckney, Imperial Custom Service, to Violet Eileen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Beamish Morrison, Glenageary, County Dublin.

DOYLE and DUGGAN—July 7, 1926, at St. Patrick's Church, Monkstown, County Dublin, by the Rev. Fr. Bowen, C.C., Charles Brendan, only son of Mrs. Doyle and the late Thomas Doyle, Ballybough road, to Marian, eldest daughter of the late Michael and Mrs. Duggan, Mayo Abbey. No cards.

GOGAN and RYAN—July 14, 1926, at St. Columba's, Iona road, with Nuptial Mass, by the Rev. T. J. Farrell, C.C., Pro-Cathedral (cousin of bride-groom), John, second son of the late Thomas Gogan and Mrs. Gogan, 11 Maxwell road, Rathgar, to Mary (May), eldest daughter of Michael and Mrs. Ryan, 102 Clonliffe road, Dublin. American and Colonial papers please copy.

REID and FROST—July 14, 1926, at St. Ann's Church, Dawson street, Dublin, by the Rev. Canon Crozier, M.A., William Austin Reid, eldest son of John C. W. Reid, Glendower, Bangor, County Down, to Eva G., youngest daughter of M. G. Frost, Belvaux, Argyle road, Herbert Park, Dublin.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

BETTY—July 19, 1926, at Private Nursing Home, Dublin, Dr. Moore Betty, of Fort Lodge, Enniskillen. Funeral to-day (Wednesday) at 2.30 p.m. from Fort Lodge to New Cemetery.

BOLAND—July 19, 1926, at her residence, Tigh Lorcain Hall, Stillorgan, Mary (nee Cullen), widow of the late James J. Boland. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing children and relatives. R.I.P. Funeral strictly private.

BYRNE—July 19, 1926, at her residence, 128 Prince's road, Liverpool, Mary, widow of the late John Byrne, J.P., and beloved mother of Mrs. T. Godwin Flinn.

CAMPBELL—July 20, 1926, at Rush, Catherine Ada Sarah (June), aged 13 months, dearly-loved baby daughter of Kathie and Alf. Campbell, 14 Fairfield road, Glasnevin. "Thy will be done." Funeral private.

DROUGHT—July 18, 1926, at Southsea, Annie, widow of Robert Seymour Drought, of Ridgemount, King's county, and Pembroke, Passage West, Cork, aged 83. "Asleep in Jesus."

HEWITT—July 16, 1926, at his residence, Grawhan Castle, Newmarket-on-Fergus, Robert Hewitt. "Peace, perfect peace."

IRWIN—July 18, 1926, at Gardener's House, Rokdens, Ballywalter, Down, Robert Irwin, infant (twin) son of James and Annie Irwin.

KEEGAN—July 19, 1926, at Mounttown, Dun Laoghaire, Joseph Keegan, last surviving son of the late Thomas and Elizabeth Keegan. R.I.P. Funeral from Monkstown Church, after 10 o'clock Mass, this (Wednesday) morning. Prayers. No flowers, by request.

MORRIS—July 19, 1926, at Innyard, Fethard, County Wexford, Elizabeth Anne, dearly-loved wife of William Morris, in her 88th year. Funeral private.

MURPHY—July 19, 1926, at Canada House, Waterford, Samuel J. Murphy, late Master, School of Art, Waterford, aged 75 years. Funeral from the Cathedral at 3 o'clock to-day (Wednesday) for the Cemetery.

PIM—July 19, 1926, in a Nursing Home, Sarah Helena Pim, of 3 Florence terrace, Bray. Funeral, Rascombe, Surrey, to-day (Wednesday) 2.30.

RUSSELL—July 20, 1926, at Private Nursing Home, Charles Francis, aged 12 days, son of Colonel and Mrs. Russell.

WALSH—July 20, 1926, Charlotte, beloved daughter of the late John and Mary Walsh, 4 North Great Charles street, Dublin, aged 23 years. To be with Christ, which is far better." Funeral from above address to-morrow (Thursday) morning to George's Barial Ground.

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WANTED, Mechanical Driver, generally useful; strictly temperate.—N 739, this office. 20 F

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LOST AND FOUND.

LOST, last Saturday, at Leopardstown Races, at top of Stone Enclosure, a small Gold Pencil; reward N 678, this office. 19 C

LOST, Between beach, Bunday Bar Brooch, between Derby and Sutton. Good reward.—Macauley, Rathmore road, Clontarf.

LOST, 19th, Ballsbridge, Rathmines, Dominick, Gold Platinum Brooch; centre circle blue stone. 10/- reward, return to 3 Herbert Park.

LOST, Sunday, in Sandycove station, West Gateway Office or Dalkey tram, a Silver Cigarette Case. Reward on returning to Kilderry, Sandycove Avenue, West.

LOST AND FOUND CONTINUED.

LOST, between Amusements Pavilion and Bray Head Hotel, String of Pearls, ruby clasp, Saturday, 17th inst. Finder apply to Cliff Castle Hotel, Dalkey. Reward.

LOST, on the Lands of Rockingstown, Swords, a Wednesday, 14th July, one Heifer. Reward 31 Manor street, Dublin.

LOST, Binoculars Glasses, in gun metal case, part reloader inside. Reward 10 Winton road.

LOST, on Tuesday 13th, last on seat at Westland Row Station, Raincoat, with belt.—607, Wilde's Office, Bray.

LOST and Found, Spectacles, in case. Reward.—Wade's Garage, Tullamore. 16 O

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Applications, with full particulars as to qualifications, age, and copies of testimonials, etc., as to experience, to reach me not later than Wednesday, 4th August, 1926.

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BOOT and Shoe Business—Wanted, Charge Hand; state age, experience, religion, salary expected, etc.—N 551, this office.

CASH PRIZES—In the quiet of the summer evenings Compile the time Solving Cross-Word Puzzles. See the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. Price 2d., at all newsagents. 20 F

EXPERT Colour Printer required; permanent position for suitable applicant. Apply, stating age, experience.—W 717, this office. E

EXPERIENCED, refined Mother's Help (Protestant) required, capable of taking charge two boys and help with baby; able to give first lessons; comfortable home, near Belfast.—Box No. 568, Irish Times Branch Office, Belfast.

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HOUSEKEEPER Wanted, city; one gentleman; light duties; state salary, references, age.—N 609, this office. 17 D

HARDWARE—Wanted a Senior Assistant or Charge Hand, with thorough knowledge of general hardware, builders' ironmongery, etc. Apply, giving reference, stating experience, religion and salary (outdoors, Crawford and Wilson, Ltd., Ironmongers, Omagh.

HAIRDRESSING EXPERIMENTS—Ambitious Amateurs should see the simply-written Article, with diagram, in the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. Price 2d., at all newsagents. 20 F

IRISH Street Stores—Branch House, J. Donohoe, Ltd. Departments: Wholesale and Retail Wine and Spirits, Bakery, Grocery and Provisions—Experienced Clerks Head required. Apply with copies of references and stating salary (indoor). Interviews only to arranged after written application.—J. Donohoe, Ltd., Emigrant Office, Kingstown. C

INSURANCE Inspector, a good business getter, chiefly Motor and Employers' Liability, for Broker's (office) must be well recommended.—N 827, this office. T

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THE MARRIAGE MARKET—See this week's Instalment of "The Darling of Destiny," the new serial in the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. Price 2d., at all newsagents. 20 F

WANTED, Architect's Assistant; must be good draughtsman. Address, stating qualifications and salary expected, "Z 3140, Assistant," this office. 16 C

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WANTED, Stockbroker's Clerk; must have previous experience of the work; state sums and give references.—N 705, this office. T

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WANTED, Working Housekeeper, single gentleman, Protestant; must be expert cook; state wages required.—Rockhill, Ballybrack, Co. Dublin. 21 E

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

TONE AND COMMENT.

DUBLIN WEAK.

IMPERIAL TOBACCOS FLAT.

There were further realisations forced at the earlier market on an unwilling Industrial section again on 'Change yesterday, in anticipation of trouble at the coming settlement as a result of the recent big decline in certain favourites; but, should the expected difficulty not be formidable or realised at all, the effect might readily be reflected before the week is out among those shares that have suffered most in the recent "shake out." There was little or no change in British or local Funds or Corporation Stocks. Banks were quiet and occasionally dull. Guinness Ord. remain on sale in a quiet, dull market. Marconi Shares were on sale at a sharp loss on renewed report rumours.

Rails were offered and practically all quoted gave way. Tram issues were quiet. Parent Trust Pref. were bid for at an advance, but the Ord. and Deferred were sellers, and gave way slightly. Dunlop Rubber Ord. were again under sale pressure, and further relapsed on continued profit-taking from the other side.

Courtaulds supplied the feature again yesterday. The price, following the overnight relapse in London, opened 3s. lower at 110s. 6d., when active buying took place at 111s., 111s. 3d., 112s. Tobaccos were irregular. Imperials fell further, especially towards the close, when fancied selling was reported from the other side on the absence of a bonus, but British-Americans were active and higher. Coats eased, but Cottons and Bleachers had an improving trend. Lever Bros. Pref. issues also tended to recover from recent dulness.

LONDON QUIET.

INDUSTRIAL SECTION LOWER.

A dull tendency continued to characterise dealings in the London Stock markets yesterday, while the volume of business transacted remained on a small scale. Gilt-edged securities, however, maintained a firm appearance, and closing values showed little alteration from the previous day's levels. In the Foreign Government Stock market the principal feature was the further decline in French issues, both the 5 per cent. and 4 per cent. falling back further. Italian Rentes also moved lower, as did Peruvian Prefs. and Turkish Unified. Here and there, however, a slightly firmer tendency became manifest. A distinctly quieter tone prevailed in Home Rails, but an easier tendency set in again later, and values where changed showed further declines. Little of interest occurred in Colonial and Foreign Rails, but where alterations was registered slightly lower levels were marked. Rubbers were generally dull, the commodity easing slightly from its previous higher value. Selling mainly on Paris account was encountered in Oils, and values were consequently lower in several directions. The feature in Industrials was the sharp decline in Imperial Tobaccos, due to the lack of the expected bonus announcement with the interim dividend of 7½ per cent., tax free, which is the same as a year ago. Other Tobaccos also eased, while Courtaulds suffered a further reaction, but rallied slightly towards the close.

CANADA'S PULP AND PAPER INDUSTRY.

Canada is coming to be recognised throughout the world as the great storehouse of paper-making material, and has now definitely come into first place as the producer of newsprint paper, the daily output of Canadian mills being 200 tons greater than the corresponding production of newsprint mills in the United States; and the margin is constantly increasing. The statement that there are 115 pulp and paper mills in Canada does not convey a proper conception of the importance of the industry, since many of the Canadian companies are very large organisations producing upwards of 300 tons of newsprint per day, and in some cases operating more than one plant. By a considerable margin the majority of the Canadian companies are capitalised at figures that run into the millions, so that it is not surprising to find the total capitalisation of the Canadian mills as being roughly 500,000,000 dollars; this is fully three times the total capitalisation of ten years ago. There are paper mills in every province except Prince Edward Island and Saskatchewan, although the great majority are in Quebec. Even here we find a distinct tendency for a concentration of the industry at a few strategic points—strategic with regard to water-power, wood, and access to markets. Quebec these foci are the head of the Saguenay River, and the mouth of the St. Maurice.

DUBLIN CORPORATION 5 PER CENT. STOCK.

Dealings have commenced in the new issue of Dublin Corporation 5 per cent Stock, the opening price being 96¼. This stock is a full Trustee Security with dividends payable half-yearly, on 1st January and 1st July. At the current price the yield to a buyer is £5 3s. 6d. per cent. The stock is repayable at par in 1976, but the Corporation reserve the option to pay it off at par any time after 1946 on six months' notice. Stock is inscribed in the books of the Munster and Leinster Bank, and is transferable free of all charges in the same manner as the existing 3½ per cent. Dublin Corporation Stock.

CUT IN TYRE PRICES.

The Dunlop Rubber Company has notified its customers of an immediate reduction of 10 per cent. in tyres, and reductions approximating a cut of 7½ per cent. in tubes. A fortnight ago the American manufacturers intimated a reduction of 10 per cent. in their quotations, and the action taken by the British manufacturers is noteworthy, having regard to the coal strike and enforced short time. The North British Rubber Company, however, at the week-end announced a reduction of 10 per cent. on Clincher and Rapson tyres, and by Monday's post Dunlop customers in the Manchester area received this company's revised price list. Manufacturers in the Manchester area will fall into line in the course of the next few days.

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

BIRMINGHAM.—Motors buster. Morris Preference fell to 1/6 discount, but rallied to 4¼d. discount. Singers smirted. Dunlops strong, after early weakness. Austin, 7/-; ffo. Debentures, 87½; Bluemels, 39/6; S.T.D., 3/-; Enfield, 31/9; Humbers, 45/3; Lucas, 77/6; Dennis, 77/4½; Naniers 34/6; Rolls, 35/6; Rovers, 8/3; Singers, 61/3; Standards, 38/-; Swifts, 2/7½; Triumphs, 37/6; Dunlop, 27/7½; Dunlop Deferred, 35/6.

MANCHESTER.—Textiles quiet and rather unsettled. Bleachers 41/6-43/6, Calicos 28/-28/6, Dyers 48/6-49/6, Cottons 50/6-51/-, Spinners 42/-42/6, "Stubbers" 6/6-6/9, Coats 61/-61/6, Shin Canal 74-7½, Velvets 20/9-21/3, Courtaulds 111/3-112/6, Dunlops 26/9-27/3, Amalgamated Cottons 8/3-8/6, Hoyle's, 24/-24/6, Hollins 21/-21/3.

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LONDON MOVEMENTS.

Despite the prevailing dulness in practically every direction Gilt-edged Securities maintained a firm appearance, and at the close of business values were much the same as before.

A dull and easier tone was manifest in Foreign Government Stocks, French Loans falling back still further, the Fives being ½ down at 74, while the Fours were no better than 6, or a further fall of ½. Italian Rentes went back rather sharply to 73, or a point lower, while Turkish Unified at 14¾ were ¼ down. Peruvian Prefs. were down the turn to 46¾. Egyptian Unified, on the other hand, were marked ¼ better at 85¾, while Portuguese Threes at 33¾ were ¼ firmer.

RAILS EASIER.

A quieter tone was evident in Home Rails, but the tendency was to still lower prices. Great Western Consolidated Prefs. dropped a point to 95½, and North-Eastern 5 p.c. Pref. Ord. at 50 and the 4 p.c. Second Pref. at 55 were both ½ down. Southerns, Metropolitan, and Undergrounds, however, were held at former levels.

A quiet, but slightly easier, tone ruled in Colonial and Foreign Rails, but actual price movements were few and far between. B.A.G.S. at 95½, and the Pacific and Western each at 86¾, were ¼ easier, while Cordoba Central Second Pref. at 53 also shed ¼.

RUBBER SHARES SMALL.

Business continued on a small scale in the Rubber Share market yesterday, while a dull tone again characterised dealings. Price movements were fairly numerous, but while a number of improvements were registered at the close, the majority of alterations were against holders. A quiet and slightly easier tone was manifest in the commodity market, spot falling from 1s. 8¼d. at the start to 1s. 8¼d. per lb. at the close. In the Share market, Bukit Rajah dropped 1s. 3d., while B.N.B.R. Trust were 9d. easier at 19s. General Ceylon lost 1s., and Java Para 1s. 10½d., while Kuala Lumpur were also 1s. 10½d. lower on the day. Malacca shed 5s. 4½d. and Linggi lost 1s. 3d., while Sialang closed 2s. 6d. down. Batu Rata, on the other hand, were finally 1s. 3d. better, while Djember closed 1s. 6d. higher. Sendayan rose 1s. 3d., and Damansara and Highlands were 7½d. and 6d. higher respectively.

TEA SHARES DULL.

A dull tone ruled in the Tea Share market yesterday, business continuing on an extremely small scale. Ceylon Prop. went back to 7¾s. 7½d. or 1s. easier, while Chargola dropped is. 9d. to 27s. 3d. x.d. Borelli Shed 2s. 9d. and Assam Frontier closed 6d. lower on the day's business. Amalgamated Estates were a heavy spot, and here a decline of ½ was registered to 39½. Consolidated Tea and Lands were another dull market, the closing level of 29½ being ¾ below Monday's figure. Dimbula Valley dropped 1s., and Imperials at 41s. 9d. were 1s. 1½d. lower. Singlo were a weak spot, being no less than 3s. 6d. lower at the close. Ceylon Plantation, on the other hand, firmed up appreciably, being 1s. 6d. higher at 128s. 9d., while Eastern Produce at 98s. 9d. were 1s. 3d. better. Dooars improved to 76s. 10½d. x.d., or 1½ harder.

BETTER TENDENCY IN OILS.

While it cannot be said that the volume of transactions in Oil shares showed much improvement yesterday, a better tendency prevailed among the leading issues, among which Shells and Royal Dutch received the bulk of attention. Eagles, after early depression, made a good rally. Venezuelans were dull, and movements in other issues were of an irregular character. Following the decline of the preceding day, Mexican Eagles opened with a dull appearance, fears existing that further selling might be encountered from Paris. As a matter of fact, sales were effected on behalf of that centre, causing a further decline in the shares to 18s. 4½d. In the afternoon, however, Paris turned a buyer, and a rally occurred to 19s., at which they closed, showing a gain of 3d. Paris was a buyer of Royal Dutch shares, and this fact, coupled with a moderate local demand, was responsible for a rise of ½ to 30½, the shares having been buyers at the price at one time. Shells rose ½, the Registered to 4¼ and the Bearer to 4⅛, while the 7 per cent. Prefs. hardened to 25s. 7½d. Anglo-Americans, following New York advices, gave way ⅛ to 3½. Anglo-Persians, in the absence of demand, weakened ⅛ to 4½, and at one time were offered at the price; while Burmahs, after touching 5⅛, left off steady and unchanged at 5⅛. British Controlled were freely offered in the early hours, and fell to 9s. 10½d., while the final price of 10s. showed a decline of 4½d. Rather more resistance was shown by the Preferred shares, which, after weakening to 12s., closed at 12s. 4½d., which is 3s. 6d. down on the day. V.O.C. Holdings, which fell at one time to 3⅛, left off with a shrinkage of ⅛ at 3⅛, but the Prefs. remained steady at 3¼.

INDUSTRIALS IRREGULAR.

Some sharp movements were witnessed in the Industrial Market yesterday, where the tone generally was irregular, with trading confined to the principal speculative counters. The outstanding feature was provided by Imperial Tobacco, They opened steadily at around 110s. 3d., but when it became known that the usual interim dividend of 7½ per cent. tax free had been declared, without any reference to the expected bonus announcement, the price slumped to 107s. Buyers, however, soon came forward at this level and a rally to 108s. 9d. occurred, to be followed by a fall to 107s. 3d., after which there was a steady recovery to the closing figure of 109s. 9d. Thus on balance the decline only amounts to a few pence. "Bats" were a comparatively quiet market throughout, and in the absence of much support closed 1s. lower at 91s. 6d. for the registered, with the bearer finally 92s. The new Ord. shares changed hands between 70s. 6d. and 72s. 6d. prem., and the new Ord. Bonus shares at between 90s. and 93s., with the fractions dealt in up to 2os. 6d. Carreras lost ¼ at 15½ and Copes ⅛ at 3⅜. On the other hand, quiet support was forthcoming throughout for Godfrey Phillips, which gained ⅛ at 5¼, after dipping to 5¼.

The tenor of the Celanese report did not help the Textile section, but after opening dull prices steadied. Courtaulds being finally unchanged on the day at 5⅜, after dipping during the morning to 5¼; Bleachers at 11¾ and Bradford Dyers at 48s. 6d. each lost 6d. Celanese issues were little affected by profit figures. The Ord. shed 3d. at 5s. 6d., but the Prefs. hardened slightly to 5s. 4½d. Calico Printers hardened to 28s. 3d., but Snias were rather offered at 2½, Charles Semons Notes were pressed for sale and fell 3d. to 67½. On the other hand, the Ord. shares improved 6d. to 4s. 6d. Few changes were seen in the Electrical Equipment department, where buyers came forward for British Insulated, which improved 6d. to 67s. 6d. Coal, Steel and Engineering descriptions moved within narrow limits, though the tone was steady. Quite a good trading was reported for Breweries, where Watney Def. further strengthened and finished 3¼ up at 283½, business being recorded up to 286. Investment buying of Truman Hanbury Pref. sent the price up 2 to 63. Distillers recovered ⅛ to 2½, but small declines were registered by Benskins at 146, Glasgow Bonding at 26s. 6d., Ind Coope at 65s., and South African Breweries at 24. Fears concerning the dividend led to further sales of Marconis, which dipped at one time to 18s. 9d., but rallied later to 20s., with the Pref. marked down ⅛ to 1¼.

Foodstuffs held firm, with further support forthcoming for Liptons, which gained another 3d. at 13s. 9d. Newspaper issues continued on the down grade, "Mirrors" easing to 5½ and "Pictorials" to 3⅞. Motor Shares were fairly firm. Good support was given to Morris Motors Pref., which strengthened to 6d. discount. In the Miscellaneous department Columbia Gramophones suffered a sharp set-back to 50s. 6d. on the somewhat disappointing meeting of its subsidiary, Columbia International Gramophones were also easier at 63s. 1½d. Dunlops dipped at one time to 26s. 9d., but improved during the afternoon to 27s. 7½d., at which they finished 3d. better on balance. In other directions Swedish Match "B" Shares further improved to 15½, and Holdborough Cement were a firmer market at 25s. 6d. Underwriting arrangements were in progress yesterday for an issue of Preference Shares in the Perak Hydro-Electric Power Company. It is expected also that there will be an issue of £1,300,000 Debentures under the Trade Facilities Act.

IRISH TRAFFIC RECEIPTS.

	Last Week. – Decrease.	Total 28 Weeks. – Decrease
Gt. Southern	£6,487—3,986	2,152,115—84,706
Gt. Northern	£7,750—4,350	253,300—27,230
Co. Down	£3,384—2,380	108,789—35,430

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES.

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols	56-56	4½ Conv. Ln. 89½-90½	
War Ln. 3½ %	89½-89	5½ Treas. Bds. 102-102½	
do. 4½ %	95-94	Irish Ln. 3½ %	57-59
do. 5%	100½-101¼	India 3%	59-61
do. 4% (Tax Free)	100½-101	do. 3½ %	68-71
Fund'g Ln	68-67	do. 4%	101½-102
Victory Bds.	93-94	do. 5%	101½-102
3½ Conv. Ln.	75¾-76½	do. 7%	113-104
		Local Loans	83-83½
		Sudan 5½%	104-108

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCK.

Aust. Com. 5½	99-101	Q'sland 4 '40-50	95-97
do. 5%	103-105	do. 5 '25-40	102 102
Brit. Col. 4½ '41	92-94	S.Africa4½ Cos.	99-99
Canada 4%	98-99	do. 4%	102 104
Cape 3½ Cons.	79-80	S.Aust'n 4½ '40-50	95-97
Ceylon 6%	106-108	do. 4%	102-104
N.S.W. 4½ '32-7	98-100	Victoria 4½ '40-60	97-94
do. 5 '1922-7	99-101	do. 4½ '1923-5	101 7
do. 6 % 1930-40	107-4	W.Aus. 4½ '35-45	98-100
N.Zea'nd 4½ '28	98-98	do. 4% 1930-40	101-103
Nigeria 6%	111-113		

BANKS.

Anglo S. Amer.	9⅛-7½	Lloyds	62 9-63 9
Anglo-Italian	12⅞-14½	Midland	84-85½
Bank N.S.W.	44¾ 47½	Nat. Isls. B	35-40
do. N.Z.	5¾-6¾	Nat. Prov.	24 12½-13⅝ —¼
Barclays A	79-8	Royal of Can.	50½-52½
Brit. Overseas	4⅞-5⅛	Stand. S.A.	13⅜-13⅝
Can. of Com.	44¼-46	Un. Australia	15 13⅛
Char. of India	21⅜-21⅞	Westminster	18⅝-19⅜
Hong Kong	19-19 4		

FOREIGN BONDS.

M.U.—July 19.			
99⅛	Argentine 1886	98	100
85	do. 5 p.c. Resiliensa	79	81
93½	do. 5 p.c., 1909	94	96
85	Brazil 5 p.c., 1889	80	82
91	do. Funding, 1908	89	92
83½	do. 5 p.c., 1911	80	82
89¼	Chinese 5 p.c., 1896	88	92
74½	do. 4½ p.c., 1898	73	75
89½	do. 5 p.c., 1912	88	92
105	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds	104	106
83¾	Egyptian Unified	83½	84¼ +¼
85	French Loan	74	6 —1
	do. 4 p.c.	5½	6½ —1
104	Greater Russian	104	106
93¾	Greek Loan	92½	94½
14	Italian Rentes	12	14 —1
94	Japan 4 p.c., 1905	81	84
94	do. 6 p.c., 1924	93½	94½
92	Mexican 5 p.c., '99	22	26
49	do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas	25	35
47	Peruvian Corporation	43¾	45¾ +¾
47⅞	do. Pref.	46	47 —¾
99⅜	do. Deb.	99	101
73¾	Portuguese 3 p.c.	32½	34½ +1
	Spanish 4 p.c.	66	71
15¾	Turkish Unified	14½	15 —¾
96⅜	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	66	67

BRITISH RAILS.

84½	Great Western	83½	84½
—	Do. Cons. Pref.	94	17 —1
70¾	Ldn. Mid. & Scot. Ord.	70½	70½
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	72	74
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	95	98
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref., 1923.	70	72
51½	Ldn. North-East 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	49½	50½ —¾
10¾	Do. Def. Ord.	10	10½
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	64	67
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref.	56	58 —¾
64	Metropolitan	63	64
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	90	93
—	Do. 5 p.c. Distrib.	83	87
77½	Southern Pref. Ord.	76½	77½
45½	Do. Def. Ord.	44	45
40	Do. Deferred	40	41
10½	Do. "B"	10	11
3½	Underground Electric	3⅜	3⅝
102	Do. Income Bonds	101	103
105	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	102	104

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

82¼	Antofagasta	81	84
—	Argentine G.W. Ord	80	82
—	Do. Pref.	80	81
—	Bahia Blanca	1	2
—	Brazil Railway Common.	1	2
95⅞	Buenos Ayres Gt. S.	94½	95⅝ —⅛
86⅝	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	86	86¾ —¼
88	Buenos Ayres and W.	85½	87½ —⅛
105	Canadian Pacific	103	170
74½	Central Argentine	76	78
32½	Cordoba Central	32	34
53	Do. 1st Pref.	51½	53
51½	Do. 2nd Pref.	52	54
58½	Entre Rios	57½	59½
—	Do. 6 per Pref.	85	87
—	Grand Trunk Pac. Deb.	78	80
—	Grand Trunk Pref.	27	29
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	79	81
41¾	Leopoldina	40½	42¼
8	Lisbon Tramways	7⅝	8¼
22	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	22	24
12½	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	12	14
190	San Paulo Ord.	187	192
77	United Havana	76½	78½

AMERICAN RAILS.

—	Atchison	140	142
—	Baltimore	100	102 +1
—	Canadian Pacific	145	147 —1
—	Chesapeake	10	11
36½	Erie	36	38
—	Do., 1st Pref.	36	38
—	New York, Ontario	24	26
120½	Southern Common	119	121 —2
—	Do. Pref.	94	96
—	Southern Pacific	109	111 —1
18	Union Pacific	180	190

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

20/9	Alisopp £1 Shares	1⅞	1½
93½	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	92	94
—	Do. 4 p.c. Redeemable	74	80
48/3	Do. Ord.	47½	48
25/0	Distillers Ord.	24½	25½ +⅛
710	Guinness	708	725
—	Do. Pref.	116	22.0
21/6	Perfect's Belfast Ord.	21/0	22/0
50/6	South African Brewer's	24½	25 —⅛
21/0	Walker (John) Pref.	20½	21½
272	Watney Combe Def.	281	284 +3½

FOODSTUFFS AND STORES.

27/9	Aerated Bread	15/	13½
42/8	Bovril Def.	42/0	43/0
3/6	Crosse and Blackwell	3/0	4/0
10/9	Liptons	13/3	14/3 +0/3
31/6	Lovell and Christmas	1½	1¾
3⅞	Lyons (J.)	3⅞	4
—	Mackintosh (J.) Pref.	23/3	14/3
8/8	Maypole Def.	8/9	8/9
—	Smithfield Anglo Meat	3½	3¾
2	Spratt's Patents	1⅞	2¼
—	Union Lands Pref.	18½	19½
27/1½	Van Den Berghs	1⅛	1⅛
—	Do. Pref.	4½	5½

IRON AND STEEL.

M.U.—July 19.			
4/3	Armstrong (W. G.)	4/3	5/3 +0/6
7/4½	Cammell Laird	7.0	8/0
9/0	Dorman Long	8/6	9/0
11/6	John Brown	11/6	12/6 +0/6
7/3	Do. (15/- paid)	6/3	7/3
—	Pease and Partners	11/0	12/0
—	South Durham Steel	2½	2¾
26/3	Siemens	25/6	28/6
—	United Steel	8/6	9/6
7/3	Vickers Ord.	7/1½	7/3½ +0/1½

LAND AND INVESTMENT.

—	Aboukir Land	1½	1⅝
2/0	Argentine Land Invest.	1½	1⅝
26/0	Do. Southern Land	1½	1⅝
7/6	B.N.B. Land	7.0	8/0
23/0	Forestal Land	22/9	23/3 +0/1½
5½	Hudson's Bay Ord.	5⅜	5⅝
6/3	Tekin Syndicate	6/3	6/9
5/6	Rio Negro Lands	1⅝	1⅞
4	Sudan Plantations	4/6	5/0 —⅛

NEWSPAPERS.

6⅞	Assd. Newspapers Def.	6½	6⅝
41/0	Allied News Ord.	39/0	40/0 —0/6
1½	Daily Mirror Ord.	1⅜	1⅝
3½	Sunday Pictorial Ord.	3⅜	3½ —

NITRATES.

9	Allanzas	8½	9¼
17/0	Lagunas Nitrate	15/0	15/0
2½	Lautaro Nitrate	3½	3⅝
7/6	Liverpool Nitrate	1½	1⅝
2¼	London Nitrate	2⅛	2⅜
13/6	Rosario Nitrate	1⅜	1⅝
1½	Santiago Nitrate	1⅜	1½
9/0	Tarapaca Nitrate	9/0	10/0

OILS.

2⅝	Anglo-American	2½	2⅝ +⅛
1⅜	Anglo-Egyptian	1⅜	1⅝ —
—	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	—	—
17/1½	Anglo-Persian 8 p.c.	17/0	17/3
27/6	Do. 6 p.c. 2nd Pref.	17/4½	27/10½
4½	Do. Ord., issued 3½ p.c.	4½	4⅝
4/6	Burmah Deb.	4/3	4/6 +0/3
2⅛	Apex Trinidad	2⅜	2⅜
2⅞	Attock	2⅞	3
11/10½	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-)	11/3	11/9
7/3	British Burmah (8/-)	7/3	7/6
10/6	British Controlled	9/10½	10/1½ —0/4½
12/9	Do.' Pref.	12/3	12/8 —0/1½
—	Burmah	—	7/6
27/0	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	26/10½	27/6
1/6	Caltex	1/4½	1/5½ —0/1½
3/6	Eagle Transport	3/6	3⅞
10½	Do. 7 p.c. Notes	100	101
80½	Do. Bearer	80	81
14 7/8	Kern River (10/-)	14¼	14 10½ —0/1½
4½	Lago	4½	4⅝ — ⅛
6/	Lobitos	5½	6/0 +0/3
19/9	Mexican Eagle	18/9	19/3 +0/3
18/9	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	17/6	18/3 +0/3
16/1½	Modfer B (5/-)	16/0	16/6 +0/1½
3/6	North Caucasian (10/-)	3/0	4/0
7/6	Omnium	3 4½	7/7½
1/6	Oropuche (4/- sh. f.p.)	1/1½	1/4½
19/0	Phoenix	18/9	19/3
—	Royal Dutch	30½	30½ + ⅛
—	Shell Transport	4⅜	4⅜ + ⅛
4/6	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	4/3	4/6
25/7½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	25/4½	25/10½ +0/1½
1/3	Spies (10/-)	1/3	1/3 —0/3
10/6	Steaua Romana	10/3	11/3 —0/3
6/0	Tankers Pref.	7/9	8/3
14/1	Trinidad Central	14/0	14/6
—	Trinidad Lease	2/9	2/9
6/3	United Brit. Trinidad	6/3½	6.10½ —0/1½
2/6	Do. Def.	2/6	3/6
7/6	V.O.C. Holdings	7/6	3¼ — ⅛
3⅛	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	3⅛	3⅜

RUBBERS.

3/9	Amal. Rubber Est.	3⅜	—0/0½
50/0	Anglo-Dutch	49½	—0/6
3/6	Anglo-Java	2/10½	—0/1½
1/8	Anglo-Malay	29 4½	
9/7½	Bertam Cons.	9/3	+0/0½
19/0	Bukit Mertajam	18/9	+0/0½
3/6	Bukit Sembawang	3/6	+0/0½
1/7	Buntar	1/6	
—	Damansara	29/10½	+0/3¼
2/6	Grand Central	21/1½	
1/8	Highlands	60/1½	—0/6
1/3	Tandlone Malim	1/3	
7/6	United Serdang	7/10½	—0/2½
—	United Sua Betong	—	105/0
24/0	Vallambrosa	23/0	25/0 —0/1½
62/6	Abaco	62/6	Ledbury 60/3
—	Allegar	4/6 —0/1½	Lendu 7/9 —0/3
—	Allied Sum	23/2½	Loengerah 2/6
—	Ampat	9/3	Manch'ter B. 43/9
—	Anglo-Sum	68/9	Mendahuit 2/6
—	Ashton	74/6	Mendaris 39/0 —0/6
—	Bah Lias	4/0 —0/1½	N. Hummock 2/0
—	Bata Tiga	63.0 +1/3	New Haycock 2/0
—	Baru (Java)	75/0	P.P.K.(C'ylon) 36/3
—	Batang	7/10½	Pal'thi(Mal'ya) 3/9
48/3	Do. Ord.	47½	Pataling 8/9
25/0	Distillers Ord.	24½	Pegoh 7/6
710	Guinness	708	Pilmoor 56/10½
—	Do. Pref.	116	Port Dickson. 5.4½ —0/0½
21/6	Perfect's Belfast Ord.	21/0	Ratamahana 40/3½
50/6	South African Brewer's	24½	Rim Malacca 6 1½
21/0	Walker (John) Pref.	20½	Rubber Zone 22/3
272	Watney Combe Def.	281	Sapong 7/3
			Sapumalk'e. 21/10½
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			Sungei Kapar 1/3
			Sungei Kr. Pt. 27/0
			Taiping 2/0
			Tanjong 6/3
			Tebrau 67/6
			Telogerodja 60/10½ +0/1½
			Tempeh 3/4½
			Thomastic Dalbi 1/11½ —0/0½
			Toorangie 33/0
			Un. Tembeng 4/3
			Waverley 21½ —0/1½
			Yam Peng 6/0

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIALS.

27/9	African and East. Trade	27/0	28/0 —0/6
18/0	Amal. Dental Pref.-Ord.	19/0	20/0
3½	Anglo-Argentine 1st Pref.	3	3¼ —⅛
17/6	Associated Cement	17/3	17/9
18/4½	Do. Pref.	18/3	18/8 +0/1½
34/0	Borax Con. Def.	3/6	34/6 —0/6
103½	Brazilian Traction	103	106
35/0	British Portland Cement	33/6	36/0
14/6	B.S.A.	17/3	14/9 —0/3
36/9	British Oil and Cake	35/9	37/9 —0/6
107	Brit. Col. Elec. Rail. Pf.	103½	106½
	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.	67	80
92/6	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	91/3	91/9? —1/0
35/3	Brunner Mond	34/9	35/9
43/0	Bryant and May	47/0	43/0 —0/6
13½	Carreras "A" Shares	15/0	15½ —⅛
28/0	Dunlop Rubber	27/6	27/9 +0/3
	Do. 6 p.c. Deb.	102½	104½
23/6	Do. "C" Prefs.	1½	1⅝
—	English Electric	13/3	14/3
—	Finlay (James)	3/3	4
30/0	General Electric Ord.	29/3	30/3 —0/3
—	Do. Def.	102	107
—	Gramophone Ord.	3/6	3/6 +⅛
111/0	Imperial Tobacco Ord.	109/6	110/0 —0/4½
12/0	Jute Indus. Pref.	12/0	13/0
—	Lancashire Electric	23/0	25/0
—	Do. 7 p.c. Pax. Pref.	25/0	27/0
19/6	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.	19/0	19/9
—	Lever 8 p.c. Debs.	93	95
14½	Mexican Trams	14	16
—	Do. Bonds	70	73
6⅜	Do. L. and P. Bonds	7	7½
2/9	Nobel Ord.	2/6/0	27/0 —0/3
21/6	Do. Pref.	21/0	21/6
25/0	Plate Bros. Ord.	25/0	30/0

OFFALY SHOW.

A THOUSAND ENTRIES.

THE EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT.

FROM OUR AGRICULTURAL CORRESPONDENT.

TULLAMORE, Tuesday.

Favoured by the weather, the Offaly County Farming and Industrial Society held their annual Show here to-day. The entries totalled over a thousand, or 200 more than a year ago. This is a sure sign of the interest which is being taken in the development of the Show. All parts of the county were represented amongst the exhibits, and the only section which did not share in the general advance was that for horses. An interesting feature was the educational exhibit arranged by the County Committee of Agriculture. This included a display of sugar beet products, which brought forth many inquiries. There was also a large display of agricultural implements and machinery. The attendance was good, especially during the afternoon. The arrangements all over were most satisfactory. Messrs. William Gorry and A. M. Fahy acted most efficiently as secretaries.

Judges—Horses—Messrs. W. P. Hanley, R. Keating, W. McWilliam, J. Lalor. Cattle—Senator Joseph O'Connor, and J. C. Campbell. Dairy Cattle—Mr. James Bellew. Sheep—Senator O'Connor and T. Dolan. Pigs—Mr. J. Willington. Poultry and Butter—Miss T. Irwin and Miss Slattery. Home Industries—Miss Brady.

CLASSES FOR HORSES.

Horse breeders in this part of the country have not yet recovered from the effects of the war. Nevertheless to-day's show brought together a nice collection of animals, though some of the classes were rather deficient in merit.

Although a small class, thoroughbred brood mares were a praiseworthy lot, first prize going to Mr. L. Bracken, Tinnycross, for Lady Orchid, a good-bodied matron by Righ Mor, by Desmond. Dr. J. M. Prior Kennedy was second with Mirodette by Mirador, and third with Country Dame by Kilteagh.

For hunter brood mares, not thoroughbred, Mr. Joseph Coyne, Kilbeggan, was first with the black ten year old Princess II. Mr. F. B. Mulock, Ballycumber, was second with the useful chestnut Barbara, while Mr. O. Graham Toler was third with Fanny.

In a moderate class for hunter three-year-olds, Mr. W. N. R. Dooley, Daingean, was first with the bay half-breed colt, Flycatcher. Mr. P. J. Delaney, Kilbeggan, was second with a half-bred filly by No Peace, and Mr. James Lambe, Kilcormac, third with the bay colt Gay Boy.

In the class for hunter two-year-olds, not thoroughbred, Mr. J. Dooley, Kinnitty, won first, the Webb Cup, and the special filly prize with a bay filly by Vilco. Mr. M. Coyne, Tyrrellspass, was second with a bay by Walmsane, and Mr. T. F. Patterton third with a bay filly.

In the class for yearlings, not thoroughbred, Mr. F. B. H. Mulock was first with the chestnut filly by Drinmore—Barbara, while Mr. Graham Toler's bay colt by Flyfisher was second. Mr. J. Babbit, Clare, was third with the brown gelding Warrior by No Peace.

A capital lot of thoroughbred yearlings were headed by a strong heavy chestnut colt from Dr. G. A. Moorhead, Tullamore. Dr. J. M. P. Kennedy was second with a fine racing stamp of colt by Courageous.

At the head of the four-year-olds likely to make hunters stood Mr. J. M. Condon, Clara, with Pallas, a good-moving bay. Dr. Kennedy, Mr. J. Maxwell, Birr, was second with a chestnut gelding that showed himself to advantage, while Rev. J. S. Magee, P.P., was third with Nancy, by No Peace.

There was only one weight-carrying hunter, five years old and upwards. This was Easter Gift, by Easter Gift, the property of Mr. P. J. Birmingham, Ballycommon, and received first prize.

For cobs, 4 years old and upwards, Mr. M. Lenihan, Daingean, was first with a useful bay; Mrs. Whitfield, Birr, second with the bay mare, Miss Eyre, and Mr. A. Cotton, Tullamore, third with a bay colt.

For ponies under 14.2 hands, in saddle or harness, Mrs. Gill, Rhode, was first; Mr. Thomas Maxwell, Ballinagore, second with Bonnie Lass, and Mrs. R. A. Robinson, Geashill, third with the chestnut Nellie.

In a large class for ponies under 13.2 hands, Miss Norah Ryan, Killeigh, was first with the brown Nora Creina. Mr. J. Mahon, Daingean, was second with a grey, and Mr. C. V. Boorley, Tullamore, third with a brown.

For ponies, any age, under 12.2 hands, Mr. G. Dewey led with a fine four-year-old chestnut mare, Mr. George Payne's piebald being second, and Mr. A. Lambe's dark brown third.

For agricultural brood mares in foal at foot, Mr. W. Gorry, Daingean, was first with a good-substanced bay by Duns Lad. Mr. M. Carroll, Tullycumber, was second with a bay by Polly, and Mr. R. Telford, Durrow, third with a bay Oyldesdale, Togsy. Mr. Thomas Lawless won the special for foal foal.

In the class for four-year-old agricultural horses, Mr. O. G. Toler was first with Black Prince; Mr. P. O'Brien second with a bay by Drumcross Elegance, and St. Stanislaus College third with Rahan Charley.

For three-year-old draft horses, St. Stanislaus College was first, and Mrs. Walsh second, while in that for two-year-olds, Mr. William Gorry was first and Mr. L. Bracken second.

For yearling agricultural horses, Mr. W. Gorry was first, Mr. John Egan second, and Mrs. F. Nolan third.

CATTLE.

The exhibition of cattle included a useful lot of dairy stock and Herefords, although there was also a good display of shorthorns.

For older Shorthorn Bulls, Mr. P. J. Egan, T.D., Inc. with Cloonastilla's Robin, while Mr. W. Gorry was second with Straffan Roan Courtier.

For Shorthorn Bulls under two years old, Mr. M. Guinan, Rahan, was first with Clones Orphan Quilte, by Erin. Short-woolled rams were headed by Mr. D. O'Brien, Tullamore, with a compact, blocky Shropshire. Mr. J. L. Hodgins, Kilbeggan, was second with a two-shear Oxford Down, and Mr. M. Ryan, Geashill, was third, also with an Oxford.

For pens of two ewes that have reared lambs in 1925, Mr. W. C. Graham was first with a nicely matched pair of Roscommons. Mr. P. O'Brien, Ballykilmurry, was second, also with Roscommons, and Mr. A. Hodgins, Kilbeggan, third with Oxfords. For hogget ewes Mr. J. Chiswell was first, Mr. J. L. Hodgins second, and Mr. Graham third.

For ewe lambs Mr. Graham was first, and the Earl of Rosse second, with a pair of Suffolks. For ram lambs Thomas Reading, Kilbeggan, led with Oxfords, the Earl of Rosse being second with Suffolks.

In the open class for long-woolled lambs, any breed, Mr. John Keane, Moyvore, walked away with first and second prizes with shearling Roscommons of remarkable type and quality. They were level, shapely rams of fine breed character, sired by Erin. A large class for short-woolled rams, any breed, was headed by Mr. J. L. Hodgins with a two-shear Shrop., Mr. S. Mounsey, Tullamore, being second with a Shrop.

The special prizes offered by the Roscommon Sheep Breeders' Association were all secounted for by that successful flockmaster, Mr. John Keane, with a shearling ram, ram lamb, and two shearling ewes—a really typical lot all over.

Mitch goats, though making a small show, displayed exceptional merit, most of the entries receiving a card. Mr. P. Molin, Screggan, was first, and Mr. John O'Brien, Ballydaly, second.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

FREE STATE COINAGE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—May I offer a few remarks on the designs for the new Irish coinage which, I understand, is shortly to be issued? The earliest coins minted in Ireland, whether Irish or Danish, are of such rude workmanship that they may be dismissed as being without any definite design whatever. The coins of King John, issued before he came to the English Throne, first show something definite and clear, differing from English and all other coinages. The peculiarity is the triangle which is on both the obverse and the reverse, and I put forward the surmise that this triangle refers to the doctrine of the Most Holy Trinity as preached by St. Patrick, and is the precursor of the shamrock, the triangle at that time being the simplest way of expressing the idea of the Trinity.

This pattern remained for some time, together with various issues very similar to the types used in England, until the "three crowns" Irish money was issued. These coins had upon the reverse three crowns in pale upon a cross bottony, which represented—so it is thought—the arms of Ireland at the period when the coins were issued. It was King Henry VIII. who first placed a harp upon the coins, and it is a matter of conjecture why he made the change; but it is supposed that he dropped the three crowns on the cross as he was apprehensive that crowns and cross symbolised the triple crown of the Pope, from whom King Henry II. received the lordship of Ireland. But why the harp was adopted, which has always been considered the national musical instrument of Wales, is not known. It was not until the reign of James I. that the harp first appeared upon the Royal Arms.

The most interesting of Irish coins are, I think, the so-called St. Patrick's half-penny and farthing, and I would most strongly recommend the design on these coins for adoption, with necessary modifications, for the copper series. These coins, I have heard, were minted abroad and were issued by the rebel Parliament at Kilkenny about the year 1645; but I notice that the British Museum puts them at a much later date, though I do not see how this can be, because there is no record of their issue in Dublin. I have not troubled you with a detailed description of any of these coins because specimens of all of them are in the Museum in Dublin.

I would suggest to the committee for recommending designs that the shamrock and the three crowns upon a cross should find a place upon the silver pieces, and that the designs of St. Patrick's halfpenny and farthing be adopted in some modified form for the copper or nickel. In conclusion, I would suggest to the Government that the mints at Rome or Copenhagen would be the best to go to for the designing and engraving, and that, if possible, it should be arranged for the actual striking to take place in Dublin.—Yours, etc.,

J. G. DOWNING.

Uxbridge House, Portsmouth road, Kingston, July 19th, 1926.

WEATHER FORECASTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—My attention was recently drawn to an article which appeared in your issue of June 18th, 1926, on the subject of "Irish" weather forecasting. In it the writer, who appears to come from Armagh Observatory, criticises the forecasts made by Lord Dunboyne and published every Friday in the *Daily Mail*. He states that 80 per cent. of those forecasts are failures.

It seemed to me that the critic was comparing results at Armagh and other places with forecasts made for Kew, or perhaps Valentia. I, therefore, took the trouble to plot all forecasts which had been made for the period in question, together with the actual results of rainfall, as officially recorded—all for Valentia. These curves I sent to your correspondent, thinking that he took a scientific interest in the question, from his reply which I enclose, it would seem that he is animated mainly by a desire to show that no one knows more of this subject than he does. I now forward these curves to you, hoping that you will examine them carefully, and form an impartial judgement as to whether there is any similarity between forecast and fact, and as to whether the degree of probability which they indicate can be of any service to the general public.

I would point out that—(1) These are not intended for use as day-to-day forecasts, but only to indicate the likelihood of rain-periods as it appears to be at the time, and they are not expected to be correct to within less than twenty-four hours.

(2) No claim is made for infallibility, and an occasional failure must be expected.

(3) They are modified (generally only slightly) week by week according to the development of conditions, and it is hoped that they become more reliable as the time approaches.

(4) Scientific meteorologists, as represented at the Air Ministry, mantain that all forms of long-range forecasting are impossible.

(5) If these forecast curves bear any resemblance to actual results, the scientific meteorologists are proved to be wrong.

(6) If such forecasts are in the smallest degree reliable, they will be of the greatest value to every section of the community, and should, therefore, receive every support and encouragement from a public-spirited newspaper of your standing.

I think that, if you compare the curves which I enclose, you will agree that—(1) Except for one week, July 4th, the forecasts were admittedly and consistently bad, there is a remarkable resemblance between forecast and result, which is more than fortuitous.

(2) Weekly modifications are slight and generally tend towards improvement. There is no justification in the accusation of an attempt at "hedging."

I may mention that, although scientific meteorologists scorn these forecasts, yet many agriculturists and others, whose business depends on the weather, have, over a period of several years, found them to be of distinct value.—Yours, etc.,

R. P. BUTLER.

Swinley House, Ascot, Berks, July 18th, 1926.

[We subjoin the letter from our Astronomical Correspondent to which the Hon. R. P. Butler refers]—

DEAR SIR,—Various engagements have prevented me from replying earlier to your letter of June 28th. The delay, however, has been useful, as it has enabled me to see the forecast issued on July 9th, and to compare it with that of the previous weeks. Lord Dunboyne states that successive forecasts are subject to "slight modifications." I contend that this of itself vitiates the claim of the forecasts to be for fifty days. But the comparison of the two last forecasts puts a different complexion on the matter. Here we have, not a case of slight modification, but of total reversal. The forecast issued on June 25th shows the month July 10-August 10 as almost totally wet. Except for two days, August 1, 2, the curve is wholly above the datum line, and black caps abound.

The forecast issued on July 9th shows the same period almost totally fine. The curve is mostly below the datum line, and black caps are wholly absent. It is an abuse of words to describe this as a slight modification. This is the result of a comparison of the curves for England S.E. and Dublin for the one period, in the two forecasts. If this sort of thing is repeated, the public will begin to accuse Lord Dunboyne of pulling its leg. It remains to be seen which of the two forecasts is fulfilled. In any case the forecasts have hedged so effectually that they can claim a success in either case. But this is not forecasting the weather. I can make a better shot at it myself; for the period July 15-August 15 is wet in nineteen years out of twenty in the British Isles. It is, indeed, one of the two wettest months in our year. It is, therefore, quite safe to forecast abundant rain within this period.

I, therefore, venture to predict that Lord Dunboyne's forecast of June 25th will be verified, and that of July 9th falsified, by the event.

I enclose the charts for April, May and June, on which I have marked successes and failures. You will see that the ratio is about one of success to four of failure. I should advise Lord Dunboyne to resort to pure guesswork; for in that case, by the law of chances, he would secure, in the long run, 50 per cent. of each. Aided by a knowledge such as he undoubtedly possesses of climate, he ought to be able to score far more than 50 per cent. of successes. His handicap is probably that, being a sailor, he has too much experience of other climates and too little of British, and gives the former too much weight.

If I felt inclined to try long-distance forecasting, I believe I could do better than he; for I have fifty years of weather study behind me, all British, and I know the British climate as few do. I was weather-watching when most of the Air Ministry people were in their cradles.—Believe me, very sincerely yours,

W. F. A. ELLISON.

Armagh Observatory, July 15th, 1926.

BATHING AT BALLYCOREE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES

SIR,—Under the heading "Girl Bathers Defy the Sergeant" is a paragraph in your issue of Saturday last. Keeping up the romantic charm of the heading, I will state that I am one of those girls, and beg you will give me space for the truth about the "defiance." On Tuesday morning, while still in my bathing suit after my swim in Ballycoree Lake, a patient from the Mental Hospital, unshaven and ill-clad, came round and spoke to me, asking me if I knew the patients drank from the lake, but stressing the fact that I was a lovely girl and a powerful fine woman. Naturally, because he was a patient and worthy of my pity and sympathy, I was not annoyed (though anxious to get into my clothes), but treated the matter as one of no importance. Consider a moment. Would any large institution of good repute and management send a message in such a fashion? If there be a committee, surely there is a secretary, with pen and ink or a typewriter, and a polite request should always be presented courteously.

Next day, returning from my swim, two men in uniform, without salute or formality of any kind, opened conversation with, "You've had a nice cool bathe." True, they were funny boys, good to look at—very good—and civil, and they, after much rambling, mentioned something about a committee. Though I, as a stranger, did not recognise the uniform of the Civic Guard, I asked for their warrant or authority for telling me what I should or should not do. This was not produced, and naturally I thought it was a kind of joke. I am not married and I have not learned to take orders from stray males that cross my path. Therefore, I continue to swim as my fancy dictates, because the owner of half the land surrounding the lake is my very good friend and permits me to pic-nic, camp-out, swim or paddle.

The question of pollution tickles me mightily. I have travelled nearly round the world, have been in many lands, and up to this present moment in Clare have never been looked upon as "pollution." Considering that the lake is up to thirty acres, and it is "polluted" daily by many head of cattle, horses, ducks, dogs and a decrepit donkey (which, rumour says, belongs to the Mental Hospital), I do not feel guilty of "polluting" the water. As a test of this "pollution," I will offer my cheek to be kissed or my hand to be held by any member of the committee he may appoint, to accompany me with the cattle to judge the polluting powers of them and me. My exquisite sanity and glorious health show me the desirability in this hot weather of doing a few hundred yards' swim daily, but by any chance some of these germs of sanity will find their way, even through the four filter beds of the Mental Hospital, would it not do them a vast amount of good?

Being a guest within the borders of Clare, it is my privilege as a journalist to spread my report, and so far I have always upheld the kindliness and courtesy of its people; their charm has always been patent to me. As I have up to the present received no official information from anyone regarding this bathing prohibition, I am unable to form any opinion if the perpetrator of these casual interviews is a Clare man. The bullocks are here daily, and so am I; and, if the committee will take up my compliance regarding the cattle and me (like tea-tasters with delicate palates) and the landlord will allow a concourse of people to see this feat, saying which local charity shall have the gate money, I will abide by their decision of "pollution."—Yours, etc.,

MILDRED TRIMBLE.

Ballycoree, Ennis, July 18th, 1926.

THE LIFEBOAT COLLECTIONS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES

SIR,—On behalf of the Special Effort Committee of the Irish National Lifeboat Fund, I desire to thank all the collectors who so very generously gave their services towards the work of selling flags on the recent flag days, and also in the "House-to-House collection" previously. Their efforts are very greatly appreciated, and I am pleased to be able to announce that, judging from the results of their collections, so far as at present ascertained, the total amount received will be very satisfactory.

The Committee's best thanks are also given to the banks, business firms, hotels, etc., who contributed to the fund and who, in many cases, allowed collections to be made among their employés. Our best thanks are specially given to Messrs. Arthur Guinness, Son and Company, Limited, for kindly bringing their reserve lifeboat from Howth for exhibition in College Green on both flag days and taking it back; and also Messrs. J. and P. Good for kindly erecting steps and platform to enable the spectators to view the interior of the boat. It may be of interest to your readers to know that the special prizes offered by two members of the Committee for the highest individual collections on the flag days were won by Miss Violet Allen (6 Clareville road, Rathgar) with a total collection of £11 10s. 1d., and Miss Ethel Ellis (Rhodaville, Churchtown, Dundrum), who collected £9 10s. 9d.

The Committee will be able to announce the final result of the special appeal in a few days, and in the meantime ask all those who kindly assisted in the work to accept their sincere and grateful thanks.—Yours, etc.,

ARTHUR WHEWELL,
Chairman Special Effort Committee.
Royal National Lifeboat Institution,
City of Dublin Branch, 110 Grafton street, Dublin, July 20th, 1926.

WORKS BY RUBENS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Your correspondent may be interested to know that in the catalogue of the Irish Institution for 1854 there is mention of two Rubens pictures, which were exhibited in that year at the Royal Hibernian Academy. The first, No. 37, was entitled "Landscape—Boys at Play," property of William Jenkins, Esq. (a Committee man of the Irish Institution); and the second, No. 59, was "Portrait of the Duke of Alba," owned by the Earl of Portarlington. At the Cork Exhibition in 1883 Rubens was represented by three sketches, lent by Lord Barrymore, Fota Island, Co. Cork.—Yours, etc.,

"COREAGIAN."

Dublin, July 20th, 1926.

BANBRIDGE SHOW.

SPLENDID DAIRY CATTLE.

FROM OUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE.

BANBRIDGE, Tuesday.

At the annual show of the Banbridge Farming Society, held here to-day, there was keen competition among the finest collection of dairy cattle seen at any local agricultural show in any part of Ireland this year.

As it approaches its golden jubilee, the Banbridge Show grows better every year. This advance is to be ascribed solely to the exertions of a business-like committee, who have made the fixture a real live thing for one of the most up-to-date agricultural areas in the country. There was a very large attendance in the grounds to-day, a gathering that was easily a "record" for Banbridge, and there was something to keep every visitor interested.

Splendid weather favoured the executive, who have made great improvements in the grounds since last year. The exhibits, numbering well over one thousand, were an increase of almost fifty on the 1925 figure. The improvement in numbers was altogether in the live stock sections. The entries for horses, cattle and sheep were up, and the total of 29 in the swine class was almost double that of last year. Figures like 181 for horses and 174 for cattle are something of which any local show committee might boast. Those competent to judge say that the show justifies the amount of energy put into its working by its continued evidence of improvement in the animals sent in for competition in the different sections. The cattle exhibited here to-day, both pure and cross-breds, were far and away above the standard of the ordinary local show, and, what is still a better sign, the competition was well spread out, and was not confined to a few enthusiasts in the breeding and feeding of high-class stock.

The arrangements are well planned and carried out methodically by men who know what they are about, and are anxious not alone to make the show a success, but to please both exhibitors and visitors. It is a real pleasure for the regular show goer to find himself in Banbridge. The smartness shown in getting through a lengthy jumping programme was one example of the good business ways of this executive.

THE HORSE SECTION.

County Down Staghounds Hunt Cup, for best-made Hunter in the show—Won by Malcolm McMahon, Ballycross, Banbridge, with Gentle Lady; reserved, Malcolm McMahon, with Sunbeam.

Baillie Cup for best Colt, Gelding or Filly, one, two or three years old, suitable for general purposes, and bred by exhibitor—Won by Maxwell Irvine, Tullygiash, with Noel; reserved, Lewis Aston, Dundalk, with Lady Ross.

The judges in the Thoroughbred and Hunter Classes were Mr. Frank Barbour and Mr. H. J. Kirwan, of County Meath. Mr. Hugh Boal, Ballymena, was judge in the General Purposes Ring; Colonel Howard, Dungannon, of the Harness Classes; and Mr. John M. Mark, M.P., Londonderry, of the Agricultural Horses.

Mr. F. J. Hamilton's Faithful Boy, who is proving himself to be a useful sire in the district, was first among the thoroughbred stallions. His fine breeding tells in his appearance, for he is by William Rufus out of Loved One dam. Robert Lawther's Jorf, a Fidello horse, was second.

Taking them all round, the thirty made hunters shown in the ring were not up to the hunter mark. Most of them were plain and of indifferent quality. An outstanding exception was Mr. McMahon's winner of the championship, a four-year-old mare bred near Enniscorthy. Very well developed for her age, and with a good temper, she is a huntress, whose like is not often seen in the show ring. Reserved to her for the Championship was Mr. McMahon's Thurles bred five-year-old chestnut gelding. Here is a beautiful hunter type, although he is rather on the small side, even for a 13st. horse. He is a good horse to ride. This point gave him the advantage over the second in the light-weight class, Darkie, belonging to Mrs. Jack Hughes, Dundalk. William McCaldin, Banbridge, had the first two in the heavy-weight class, and the second in the four-year-olds.

The jumping horses were disappointing both in number and in hunter quality. Easily the best of the three-year-olds was a Ben Alder gelding exhibited by Mrs. Beamish, Priestown House, Downpatrick. Mr. Aston, with a two-year-old gelding, and Mr. Maxwell Irvine, Tullylush, with a yearling filly, were also good firsts in limited competition. The brood mares were plain, with, perhaps, the exception of the first prize winner owned by Mr. O'Reilly, Dromara. J. J. Cowdy, Banbridge, had the best of a small lot of foals in a filly by Kirk Alloway, a dam by Lochryan.

There was a nice collection of agricultural horses, most of them of a Clydesdale cross, but with lots of the Irish draught blood showing. Samuel Brown, Loughbrickland, and C. F. Hamilton, Ballynahagan, were good firsts with brood mares in the non-pedigree and pedigree classes respectively. The classes for horses for general purposes filled fairly well, but those who deprecate the hacking craze would not be pleased with many of the exhibits. In those classes Mr. Aston had several firsts, including a very nice foal by Faithful Boy out of a Tredennis mare, which was also first in her own class. The brood mare placed second and belonging to William Baillie, Hackballscross, Dundalk, was a nice-looking matron with good points. Her Faithful Boy foal was also second. John McWatters and Alex. Devon and H. McCusker, well-known Belfast exhibitors, had firsts in the classes for ponies.

HIGH-CLASS CATTLE.

The Liddell Cup, for the best pure-bred Shorthorn in the Show—Won by T. H. and T. T. Maclean, Glen Anne, County Armagh, with the two years old bull, Rattlebrook Bayardo. The reserved animal was the yearling bull, Farm Hill Viceroy, shown by William Stewart, Quiery, Loughgilly.

The Cowdy Cup, for the best Dairy Cow in the Show—Won by William McCandless, Dromore.

The Cowdy Cup, for the best Calf—Won by H. W. Stewart, Glenane.

The George Todd Cup, for the best Yearling Heifer—Won by John Graham, Rathfriland.

The Crawford Cup, for the best Group of Three Animals—Won by George Crothers, Ballyvarley, Gilford.

The Wallace Cup, for the best Yearling or Two Years Old Heifer—Won by George Crothers.

The Thomas Carson Cup, for the best Aberdeen-Angus Beast in the Show—Won by R. H. Gibney, Laurencetown, Banbridge, with the Bull, Charles of Eyrefield, which was also awarded the Silver Medal of the Irish Aberdeen-Angus Association.

The collection of cattle, of every type, was remarkable for the outstanding quality of not individual animals alone, but of whole classes.

The judging was done by Mr. Joseph Bowden, Coothill, shorthorns; Mr. R. A. Wright, Donaghadee, A.A.S., and Friesians; Mr. William Mitchell, County Kilkenny, dairy and mixed breeds.

Banbridge lies in the centre of a shorthorn county, and it was only to be expected that there would be a good show of that breed. The sixteen bulls on view were all true to type and a credit to their breeders. Mr. Stewart, flying visit to the reserve for the Shorthorn Championship, got four firsts and two seconds; and the Messrs. Maclean a second victory in the class for milking cows. James Mullinan, Corbet, beat both of those breeders with his heifer calf.

A surprise of the Show was the absence of the Aberdeen-Angus breed, both in numbers and in show merit. The champion bull repeated for Mr. Gibney the victory of two years ago. The animal has in the meantime grown to be one of the finest types of the black breed as is to be met with in Ireland to-day. T. J. Cromie, Ballynahinch, had a nice first prize winning cow, with Mr. Gibney's a good second. A particularly good type of the well-bred black was the four years and a half heifer reserved for the medal, owned by F. A. Boyd, Gilford.

The Friesians are getting stronger at this Show, where the exhibits are led by Edward Cowdy, Loughzail, and Alex. Baird, Glen Anne. All admirers of good stock were struck by the appearance of the Jersey cow, Vera of Clounagh, first prize winner for S. G. McReynolds, Portadown. In size, shape, and udder she is a model of true breeding.

The half-breds were a strong class, even if we leave out of account the remarkable lot of 22 dairy cows. There can be no doubt that this group, taking them all round, was the best that any local Irish show can parade this season. Out of the judges' selection of the best half-dozen, five were of the shorthorn type, and the sixth almost a full Ayrshire. Mr. McCandless, along with securing the championship, had the winner of the second prize. Of the other cross-bred cattle, a very choice lot, was the group of three for which Mr. Cromie got the Robson Cup. The same exhibitor had the next best group.

SHEEP AND SWINE.

The Border Leicester breed was prominent in the sheep section, with R. W. Bell, Hillsborough, at the head of the winning list, with four firsts. For ram lambs he was beaten by W. J. Bourke, Downpatrick, and for breeding ewes by R. J. Gill, Downpatrick. S. M. Gill was the winner in all classes for short-wooled, and W. F. Uprichard in those for black-faceds.

There was a grand show of swine, from among which the championship medal of the Large White Ulster Pig Society went to the boar owned by James Mark, Moneyslane, George Hobart, Dromore, with a sow, won the medal for best black pig. David Hooke had the best Ulster sow, and R. T. King the best white York sow.

There was a large show of utility poultry, in which many of the well-known Northern fanciers were exhibitors.

Great interest was taken in the butter-making competition, carried out in the grounds. It was won by Miss O'Hare, Finnis, Dromara, with Miss McEvoy, Tullyraine, Laurencetown, second. In the classes for home-made butter, Mrs. Maxwell Irvine, Tullyglush, got three first prizes, and Miss Jean Boyd, Knitlesbridge, one. The lady visitors to the show had a good deal to see in the section catering for home industries, from bread-making to decorative craft work.

HORSE JUMPING.

The six horse jumping events brought the largest number of competitors yet seen at this show. In most of these the competition was keen and the jumping of a high standard.

Event 1.—Iveagh Harriers' Cup—1st, S. Baille's Shady Girl (H. McAuley); 2nd, John Bamber's Sly Ager (J. Reid); 3rd, Mrs. Jack Hughes's Darkie (J. Clancy); 4th, H. L. Chambers' Hidden Mystery (R. Lennon).

Event 2.—First and second in Event 1 excluded (50 competitors)—1st, Mrs. H. D. Beamish's Cinderella (Owner); 2nd, H. L. Chambers' Hidden Mystery (R. Lennon); 3rd, John Bamber's Freda (J. Bamber).

Event 3.—Champion Stone Wall—1st, John Bamber's Sly Ager (J. Bamber); 2nd, R. Collen's Reuben (Geo. Roberts); 3rd, John Bamber's May Queen (J. Bamber).

Event 4.—Children's Competition—1st, Miss Vera Hale's Marcus; 2nd, Miss Hilda Hale's Tom Tit; 3rd, Miss L. Hale's Richill John; 4th, Master A. Cromie's Violet.

Event 5.—Ladies' Competition—1st, P. McCarten's Stability (Miss I. McCarton); 2nd, Miss Cissy Marks' Mrs. Rowland (Owner); 3rd, Mr. James Marks' Kosciusko (Miss Marks).

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PIGS.

There was a big advance in the quality of pigs on exhibition, and competition was keen. In the class for Irish large white boars Mr. T. J. Lalor, Kilbeggan, was first with the well-brought-out two-year-old, Durrara Star 7th, bred at the Agricultural Station, Clonakilty. Mr. Thomas Dunne, Daingean, was second, and Mr. W. Kilmurry third. For sows in pig or suckling Mr. T. J. Lalor was first with Ballard Daisy and second with Fenagh Viola, while Mr. A. Lambe, Bluebell, was third with Lalla Rook, 5th. For sows with litters Mr. P. A. Joughan was first, Mr. K. Molloy second, and Mr. Joseph Forrestal third.

POULTRY.

With an entry of 193, poultry were fully 20 per cent. better numerically than last year. More gratifying still is the fact that the birds were decidedly good. All classes were well supported, and competition proved keen. First prizes went to Miss Fawcett, Miss Horan, Mr. P. J. Hannon, Mrs. Lynch, Dr. Kennedy, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Sheehy, Mr. Robinson, Mrs. Colgan, Miss Scally, Mrs. Mounsey, Miss Jackson, Miss Brennan, Mrs. P. O'Brien, Miss Dunne, Mrs. Molloy, Miss A. Keegan, Miss R. O'Brien, Miss Hannon, Miss M. Whelan, Miss B. Brock, Mrs. Meally.

DRIVING AND JUMPING.

Driving Competition for style, speed and appearance.—1st, Miss N. A. Rynd, Killeagh, with Stella; 2nd, Joseph Gleeson, Bluebell, with Dolly; 3rd, Mrs. Mounsey, Beechill, with Ema.

Driving Competition for Ponies.—1st, Mrs. Gill, Rhode, with Clarke Pet; 2nd, F. Gethings, Colehill, with Bessie.

Jumping.—Event A (open) over the Course—1st, Major-General Cronin's Carlow Lass; 2nd, Mrs. G. Whitfield's Miss Eyre; 3rd, Mr. J. Richardson's Lahla.

LANE PICTURES.

DEMAND FOR THEIR RETURN.

STATEMENT IN DAIL.

"The return of the pictures depends upon the recognition, in a generous spirit, of the honourable obligation to respect, notwithstanding legal technicalities, the last wishes of the illustrious dead." In these words, Mr. P. McGilligan, Minister for Industry and Commerce, when questioned in Dail Eireann yesterday, summed up the position in regard to the Lane bequest.

The Minister stated that the proposal to lend a number of the pictures to Dublin from time to time did not meet the equities of the case, which demanded that the collection should be given to Dublin, in accordance with the wishes of Sir Hugh Lane.

The matter was raised by Mr. Padraic O Maille, who (for Professor Magennis) asked the President what steps, if any, the Executive Council had taken to assert the rights of the citizens of Dublin to have restored to them the thirty-nine French paintings left to them by Sir Hugh Lane in the holograph codicil which, it was now admitted, expressed the testator's intentions in their regard; and what steps it was proposed to take to counter the intention of the British Government in carrying out the recommendation of the Committee which reported on the matter.

MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

Replying for the President, Mr. McGilligan, Minister of Industry and Commerce, said—The matter of the Lane pictures was raised with the British Government by General Collins on the 22nd January, 1922, a little more than a week after the formation of the Provisional Government. From that date onward representations were repeatedly made to British Ministers that these pictures should be disposed of in accordance with Sir Hugh Lane's last wishes.

Ultimately, as a result of these representations, the Right Hon. J. H. Thomas, then Secretary of State for the Colonies, informed the President in July, 1924, that the British Cabinet had decided to appoint a Committee of three to consider the arguments advanced by the Irish Free State and by the Trustees of the National Gallery in London, and to report whether in their opinion—

1. Sir Hugh Lane, when he signed the codicil of the 3rd Februrary, 1915, thought that he was making a legal disposition.

2. If so, whether it is proper that, in view of the international character of the matter at issue, the legal defect in the codicil should be remedied by legislation.

The report of that Committee was published on 30th June last, and the findings were as follow:—

1. That Sir Hugh Lane, in signing the codicil of the 3rd February, 1915, thought he was making a legal disposition.

2. That, nevertheless, it would not be proper to modify Sir Hugh Lane's will by public Act of Parliament. To do so would in addition to constituting a legal precedent of the utmost gravity not justified by the facts, have the effect of bringing about a result contrary to the real spirit of Sir Hugh Lane's intentions. Our reply to the second question is, therefore, in the negative.

It is only right to say that the Executive Council, through the courtesy of the British Government, were afforded an opportunity of perusing the report of the Committee before it was published.

The Council felt that the Committee's reply to the first query addressed to them was satisfactory, and, in fact, inevitable; but they were quite unable to follow the Committee's method of arriving at the conclusion set out in their reply to the second question.

PRESIDENT'S REQUEST.

Accordingly, the President communicated to the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs the reasoned view of the Council that the Committee had, in dealing with this aspect of the matter, failed to realise its international importance, and had allowed their judgment to be based upon considerations which were not only outside their terms of reference, but were in themselves unsound and inapplicable. He urged, too, that it was only by doing violence to Sir Hugh Lane's last wishes as to the destination of the pictures that legislation to validate the codicil could be refused.

I regret that, notwithstanding these representations, which, I may say, were urged in the strongest possible manner, the British Government did not see their way to depart from the recommendations made by the Committee.

In reply to a question recently addressed to him the British Prime Minister stated that an assurance had been received from the Trustees of the National Gallery in London that it was their present intention to lend to Dublin a substantial number of the pictures from time to time, and for a substantial period, as soon as they were empowered under existing legislation to do so. For our part the Executive Council could see in the view that this proposal meets in any adequate manner the equities of the case, which demand that the collection should be disposed of in accordance with the donor's last-expressed wishes.

I do not quite understand the second part of the deputy's question. It must be borne in mind that, so far as the strict letter of the law is concerned, the codicil is invalid, and consequently the return of the pictures depends upon the recognition in a generous spirit of the honourable obligation to respect, notwithstanding legal technicalities, the last wishes of the illustrious dead.

IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

Mr. Osmonde Esmonde asked whether it was the intention of the Government to bring the matter before the Imperial Conference.

Mr. McGilligan was understood to say that the matter was not on the agenda of the Conference.

Major Bryan Cooper pointed out that there was a precedent for the setting aside of a will. The will of the late Mr. Cecil Rhodes was set aside and modified by law in a manner not in accordance with the desire of the testator. He asked the Government to bring this before the notice of the British Minister.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF GREYSTONES.

IMPROVEMENTS ON SEA FRONT.

At a committee meeting of the Greystones and District Development Society, held at the Grand Hotel, Greystones, Mr. J. C. Meldon presiding, it was decided again to invite the attention of the Wicklow County Council to the defective and dusty condition of the roads in and around Greystones; to the deficiency of public sanitary accommodation; and to the dangerous condition of the railings along the foreshore. It was unanimously resolved, in the absence of satisfactory action by the Council, to lay the matter before the Department of Local Government.

Directions were given to provide seats upon the pier; to supply receptacles for waste paper along the south beach and the main roads; to effect repairs to the railing and footpath near the station; and to clean and gravel the laneway locally known as the "turnpike."

The Secretary was instructed to ask the Department of Posts and Telegraphs to expedite the first delivery of letters, which at present failed to reach certain houses on the Burnaby until 10.30 a.m., and to request that the English mail, which arrives at Greystones at 9 a.m., should be delivered before the evening.

The Sports Committee reported that a programme of events had been drafted, and the Hon. Treasurer having stated that there had been a large increase in the number of members since the last meeting, the proceedings were adjourned for a week.

NOTICE TO JURORS.

Jurors summoned for the Central Criminal Court at Green street to-day need not be in attendance until 11.30 a.m.

According to reports from St. Bestenberg, a health resort on the Lake of Thun, the Queen of the Netherlands is suffering from a slight attack of bronchitis.

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A TRIDUUM, in preparation for the Feast of St. Anne, will be held in this Church, on THURSDAY, the 22nd; FRIDAY, the 23rd, and SUNDAY, the 25th JULY.
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SAORSTAT EIREANN.
IN THE COURT OF THE RAILWAY TRIBUNAL.
RAILWAYS ACT, 1924.
STANDARD REVENUE — ALLOWANCES UNDER SECTION 53 (1) (a) (b) and (c).
Notice is hereby given that the Great Southern Railways Company has submitted to the Railway Tribunal statements of the amounts claimed in connection with the standard revenue of the Company under paragraphs (a) (b) and (c) of Sub-Section (1) of Section 53 of the Railways Act, 1924.
Copies of the statements can be obtained from the Great Southern Railways Company, Kingsbridge, Dublin, price 2/6, post free.
Any party interested and desirous of being heard upon the consideration of the statements must, on or before the 13th day of September, 1926, notify the Registrar of the Railway Tribunal, 3 Upper Castle Yard, Dublin, and lodge with him six copies of objections (if any) to the said statements.
Notice will be given later of the date fixed for the consideration of the said statements by the Court of the Railway Tribunal.
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QUESTIONS IN DAIL.

APPLICATIONS FOR TARIFFS.

In reply to a question by Mr. Dalton, in the Dail yesterday, Mr. McGilligan, Minister for Industry and Commerce, stated that the industries which had applied for protective tariffs since January, 1924, were:—Coach-building, boot and shoe, glass bottles, soap and candles, confectionery (including jam), blankets, furniture, metallic bedsteads, shirt-making, hosiery, wholesale clothing, chemical manures, box and packing cases, tanning, fibre, packet salt, fish barrels, margarine, woollen piece goods, wheaten flour, oatmeal, agricultural machinery, down quilts, rosary beads, brushes, printed matter and stationery, wrapping paper, brass-founding, bell-founding, felts (i.e., roofing, etc.), galvanised hollow ware.

In addition, applications were received from individual firms engaged in the manufacture of briar pipes, leather trunks, calcium carbide, matches, bicycles, paints, baskets and tin-ware.

Protective tariffs have been imposed in the following industries:—Blankets and blanketing, boots and shoes, bottles or jars of glass, candles; clothing, personal and wearing apparel; furniture (other than bedsteads) made wholly or partly of wood, and bedsteads of any material; motor bodies, soap, soap substitutes and soap powders, sugar confectionery (including jam), oatmeal.

Investigations had been carried out in the bacon-curing and yeast industries without an application having been lodged by the industries concerned. A list of the names and situation of the firms engaged in protected industries would involve particulars of from 250 to 300 firms, and he did not consider that any useful purpose would be served by preparing it. The forthcoming census of production would give all relevant information as to the position of particular industries.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

In reply to Major Cooper,

Mr. O'Higgins stated that the delegates from the Saorstat who would attend the forthcoming Assembly of the League of Nations would be the Minister for External Affairs, the Minister for Finance, and Deputy Eoin MacNeill. The representative of the Saorstat at Geneva, Professor Binchy, and the Secretary of the Department of External Affairs would form part of the delegation. The membership of the delegation to the Imperial Conference had not yet been finally determined.

IMPORTED PORK.

Major Sproule Myles asked the Minister for Lands and Agriculture whether there was any guarantee that imported Continental pork (cured)—bacon, hams, etc.—did not suffer from foot-and-mouth disease before being cured.

Mr. Burke said that there was no guarantee of the nature in question. The Department was advised, however, that the process of curing would render the flesh of a pig killed while it was suffering from foot-and-mouth disease innocuous from the point of view of infection.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Mr. T. J. O'Connell asked the Minister for Education if he was yet in a position to say how soon the School Attendance Act, 1925, would be put into operation: (a) in the areas mentioned in the schedule to the Act, and (b) in areas other than those mentioned in the schedule.

The Minister said that he hoped to fix the 1st of October, and the 1st of November next for the purpose of bringing the Act into operation in the scheduled and non-scheduled areas respectively.

RAILWAY SIGNS IN IRISH.

Mr. P. O'Maille asked the Minister for Industry and Commerce whether any change had taken place in the policy of the Executive Council regarding the Irish language; and, if not, why the provision of Section 68 of the Railways Act was not being given effect to; and why, at several stations on the system, notably at Dunlavin and Lucan North, the language had been completely ignored in the erection of the notices and signs, etc.

Mr. McGilligan said that no change had taken place in the policy of the Executive Council regarding the Irish language. The provisions of Section 68 were being given effect to by the Great Southern Railways Company. The Gaelic League forwarded a letter to him on the 25th of May, and he replied that the allegation made in that letter was contradicted by the list of 27 stations furnished to him by the company, at which bi-lingual notices had already been provided. The question of printing passenger card tickets for journeys in the Saorstat in both Irish and English had been pressed forward as rapidly as was consistent with a reasonable conclusion. Section 68 of the Act provided that this should be done, unless it would jeopardise the standard revenue, and result in increased rates and fares. A satisfactory form of ticket had been produced, but he was informed by the company that its cost represented an increase, approximately, of £1,600 per annum, or 121 per cent. on past expenditure. He was at present having this figure investigated, to see if the cost could not be reduced.

UNEMPLOYMENT.

In reply to Mr. Morrissey, the Minister of Industry and Commerce stated that the number of persons registered as unemployed in the Saorstat on July 12th inst. was 21,923. The number registered as unemployed on the corresponding dates in the preceding four years were:—1925, 28,212; 1924, 44,971; 1923, 32,015; 1922, 41,399.

Mr. Morrissey asked if it was on those figures that the Minister had made the statement in Limerick the other day, that there was less unemployment in the Free State this year than there had been at any time during the past five years, and whether those figures put him in a position to make that statement with any degree of accuracy in view of the fact that the figures just now read out represented only a certain proportion of the total number unemployed.

Mr. McGilligan said that his Limerick statement was not made on the basis of these figures. He made the statement that there was more employment by reason of added employment in protected industries and works like the Shannon scheme.

THE WARBLE FLY.

"One Who is Interested" writes with reference to the sufferings of farm animals owing to the prevalence of the warble fly:—"I consider that it would be of great benefit and relief to dairymen, graziers, farmers, butchers and others if a remedy could be supplied to destroy the warble fly pest. The loss on animal hides alone is calculated, as far as this country is concerned, to amount to £1,000,000 per annum. Milch cows are reduced to half their milk and some go completely dry owing to the injury inflicted by the pest." He suggests that some member of the Dail should bring the matter before the Department of Agriculture, and have it fully investigated with a view to finding a remedy which would eradicate the evil.

LL.D. FOR MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD.

At the congregation of the University of Wales at Swansea yesterday, the degree of Doctor of Laws was presented to Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, on the ground of his eminence as a statesman. At the degree ceremony, Mr. Macdonald was accorded a great reception.

The Irish Times.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 1926.

IRELAND.

The Free State Government has agreed to sell its interest in the National Land Bank to the Bank of Ireland for £203,000. —(Page 7.)

For the Offaly County Farming and Industrial Society's Show which was held at Tullamore yesterday there were more than one thousand entries.—(Page 5.)

Last night the Victoria Cinema Theatre, Galway, and an adjoining building were destroyed by fire. Fused electric wires in the operating box in the theatre started the fire.—(Page 7.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

Earl Winterton, in introducing the India Office estimates in the House of Commons last night, said that, with the exception of increased communal tension, the state of things in India was extremely hopeful. The House agreed to the estimates.—(Page 6.)

Mr. Baldwin yesterday told a deputation of Unionist peers and members of the House of Commons that, if the Committee of both Houses could reach a close measure of agreement on a definite scheme for the reform of the House of Lords, the Government would welcome any suggestion they had to offer.—(Page 7.)

ABROAD.

The French franc fell yesterday to 240 to the £.—(Page 7.)

SPORTING.

At the Curragh yesterday Pink Hawthorn won the Scurry Plate, King's Falloch the Pollardstown Plate, Foretell the July Selling Plate, Lord Wembley the Drogheda Memorial Stakes, New Barn the Apprentices' Plate, and Fedamore the Stand Plate.—(Page 10.)

At Leicester Witful won the Leicestershire Oaks.—(Page 10.)

FINANCIAL

London Stock Markets were quiet and dull, with a few bright spots here and there. Leading Industrials found lower levels.—(Page 4.)

Loans were in greater demand in Lombard street up to 4 per cent., with balances cheaper. Discounts were unchanged. French francs slumped heavily. —(Page 4.)

In Dublin the market was dull. Courtaulds closed at 112s., or 1s. 6d. lower. Guinness closed easier, and Imperial Tobacco fell to 109s. 6d. on the same dividend without a bonus.—(Page 4.)

The National Land Bank.

In *Dáil Eireann* yesterday the Minister for Finance announced that the Executive Council had decided to sell its interest in the National Land Bank to the Bank of Ireland for the sum of £203,000. This decision seems to have been taken in consequence of an *interim* report which has been issued by the Banking Commission. The Bank of Ireland offered to absorb the Land Bank and to pay the Government the full amount of its paid-up capital, all of which stood in the name of the Minister for Finance. Mr. Blythe explained that a good bargain had been made. The Bank of Ireland will continue to operate the head office of the Land Bank for a period of one year, during which time all the present directors, with the exception of Mr. J. J. McElligott, who is the personal representative of the Finance Minister, will continue to act. Transferred customers are assured of considerate treatment by the Bank of Ireland. Those officials for whom no further employment can be found will be superannuated at two-thirds of their existing salaries; and, as the Government proposes to shoulder half the burden of this commitment, £13,000 of the purchase money will remain outstanding for a period of three years. A certain amount of opposition to the scheme was shown in the *Dáil*; but the majority of the members realised that the best had been made of a bad business, and the National Land Bank now passes into financial history as another example of the folly of a State's interference in banking affairs.

The National Land Bank was founded in 1919 with a nominal capital of £406,000, one half of which was paid. Its object, as explained by Mr. Blythe, was to prevent the struggle of *Sinn Fein* against the British Government from becoming a land war, and to that end its directors were anxious to finance land purchase throughout the country. Shortly afterwards the scope of the undertaking was widened. Deposits were accepted, but little money was forthcoming; and, when branches were opened in the provinces, they received scanty patronage. In 1923 the Minister for Finance took over all the share capital, enabling the shares held by co-operative farming societies to be repaid. The Land Bank then became a semi-State concern, including Mr. Blythe among its directors. Registers for Compensation Stock and Land Bonds were opened at the head office; but the anomalous position of the Bank worked against it, and the public never gave it much support. In 1925 it transferred land mortgages to the extent of £312,000 to the Land Commission, receiving in return 4½ *per cent.* Land Bonds, and against a possible depreciation of these it was forced to place a sum of £88,000 to special reserve. Its cash position was excellent, but its capital was insufficient to allow it to compete on level terms with the Irish Joint Stock Banks; and the financial conservatism of the Irish people ruined any chance that it ever may have had of becoming a national institution.

The Government's association with the Land Bank was a bad blunder, and Mr. Blythe does not attempt to disguise that fact. In his speech at the end of the debate yesterday he said that, whatever might be the experience of other countries, a State Bank, on the National Land Bank system, could not be conducted successfully in Ireland. The presence of a Minister, or a Minister's deputy, on the Board encouraged the exercise of political pressure to secure financial accommodation from the Bank; and nobody who knows Ireland needs to be warned by the League of Nations Committee on Banking against the palpable evils of such a condition of affairs. The directors of the Land Bank admit that there can be no half-way house between a State Bank and a private concern. The experiment was foolish, and everybody ought to welcome the solution that has been found. We do not blame the Government for its original error of judgment. In the early days of its existence it did many unnecessary things and neglected to do things that were essential. Its attempt to establish a separate medical register was a case in point. Its failure to make provision for patents was another; and in this connection we are glad to note that prompt steps have been taken by the Ministry for Industry and Commerce to guard against the unpleasant consequences of Mr. Justice Meredith's recent judgment if it should be upheld by the Supreme Court. The decision to "scrap" the Land Bank cannot have been easy. It meant a sacrifice of sentiment in the interests of good business; and we congratulate Mr. Blythe on the courage which he has shown in the interests of the national credit.

London's City Churches.

Yesterday the Sheriffs of the City of London exercised the City's ancient right to offer a petition at the Bar of the House of Commons. They were moved to this course by a danger which threatens the old churches that are London's most sacred and, perhaps, most precious monuments. Recently the Assembly of the Church of England adopted a bill which is entitled "The Union of Benefices and Disposal of Churches (Metropolis) Measure." The bill empowers the Bishop of London to abolish nineteen of the City's old churches—to suppress the benefices and to sell the sites—in order that money may be raised for Church development in other parts of his vast diocese. On Monday the Bishop's motion that the bill should be presented to the King for the Royal Assent was discussed in the House of Lords and, after a vigorous debate, was carried by seventy-one against fifty-four votes. A similar motion must be passed in the House of Commons before the bill can become law, and the City Corporation's petition yesterday prayed that the House would reject this motion, which will be proposed by Lord Hugh Cecil. The advocates of the Assembly's bill founded their case entirely on considerations of utility. There are forty-six parish churches in the City of London, with a total congregation, on Sundays, of some 2,500 souls; and, according to the Bishop's estimate, their maintenance costs £60,000 a year. On the other hand, Greater London is growing swiftly; its spiritual needs are clamant, and the Bishop declares that they can be met only by the sacrifice of the nineteen churches which he has scheduled for destruction. Of course, these churches, harbours of quiet in London's central roar, have a huge site-value. Why, then, is the City Corporation opposed to the Assembly's bill, and why is it supported in that opposition by a great body of educated opinion in London and throughout the country? Here is once more the old conflict between utility and idealism—with the unusual circumstance that the aldermen, not the ecclesiastics, are on the side of the angels. London values her ancient churches for a hundred reasons. Many of them are beautiful buildings, typical of the work of a noble period in British architecture; and they are thronged with historic associations of the proudest kind. Surely such churches, though empty, fulfil a spiritual function by the solemnising appeal which their mere fabric makes daily to the city's crowded millions of workers and thinkers. Why, however, should the City churches be empty, with such potential congregations at their doors—congregations which might be attracted by the right methods and the right men? This surely is the weak point in the Assembly's armour. The same faith that could refill the City churches on week-days could find money, without any destruction of beauty or any outrage on history, for the new churches that are needed in other places. We think that most Irish Churchmen will rejoice if the City of London's petition to the House of Commons is crowned with success.

Aerial Fire-fighters.

In most countries civil aviation has developed chiefly as a means of transport, but in Canada a different line of progress has been followed. There an immense amount of work is done for the State by flying men—firstly, in surveying and mapping undeveloped territory, and, secondly, in fighting the menace of fire which ever lurks in the timber districts. In *The World's Health* the protection of the Canadian forests by aircraft is described. The aeroplane has obvious advantages over all craft moving on land or water as a means of reconnaissance. A well-organised service of aerial patrols now watches for outbreaks of fire and, where these occur, transmits the alarm and develops plans of attack. Fire-fighters, supplies, mechanical equipment and fire foremen are carried by air to the danger spot. At every patrol station there are aluminium pumps, designed to be carried on a man's back, and an equipment of hose divided into parts, every one of which is of the bulk of one man's loading. The stations are in wireless communication with the observing aeroplanes, and, when an alarm is received, crews with equipment are hurried to suitable spots at which they can be picked up by the flying craft. During 1924 fifteen seaplanes protected 100,000,000 acres of forest in the province of Ontario alone. The immensity of the problem of controlling forest fires is revealed by the fact that over 1,000 outbreaks occur in twelve months. There are many losses attendant on the destruction of timber. Along the Pacific coast, where fires have wrought enormous havoc, navigation often is interrupted and the lives of dwellers in towns within the range of the smoke blanket are made miserable for days. A few years ago the sun was hidden completely from the town of Portland, Oregon, by dense smoke clouds, and on another occasion shipping companies on the Great Lakes lost thousands of pounds through the interference of smoke with the sailings of their vessels.

Forgotten Victorians.

The twentieth century has dealt hardly with the literature of the Victorian age. Of the very word "Victorian" it has made a reproach, and many admirable writers have passed into a limbo of oblivion. In *The Quarterly Review*, Mr. Horace G. Hutchinson seeks to revive the memory of some of these, and to bespeak credit for their achievements. He praises White Melville and James Payn, and affirms of Wilkie Collins and Le Fanu that they excelled the moderns in the modern *genre* of mystery story. Subtlety is the quality which Mr. Hutchinson finds most sadly lacking in the Victorians—"they go, in simple fashion, straight at their job." He considers that Lever has fallen into neglect solely through lack of the artistic gift of setting forth his material to the best advantage. Lever is prone to the Victorian fault of loading the main narrative with anecdotes by the way, that delay the action. Mr. Hutchinson suggests that the "by the way" stories in "Charles O'Malley" might be packed together in one volume and sold separately. The main book would be reduced to the length of a modern novel. "I believe that thus to edit it and so to publish it would be the most popular way of its rescue from Limbo." These liberties with the writings of dead authors are hard to defend and seldom are successful. In the very faults of old-time novels there is an air of the leisurely age in which they were composed. Lever—whose remarkable stories of the Peninsular War were written without first-hand knowledge of the ground or of military life—will live or die according as the world remembers or forgets the spacious, rollicking, formless novels as they left his pen. How many readers of to-day remember the Reverend Hamilton Maxwell, that strange genius of Dromore, who taught Lever his craft and was his inspiration?

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

MR. JACK JONES ORDERED TO WITHDRAW.

FROM THE PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT
WESTMINSTER, Tuesday.

The House of Commons, after witnessing the reception of the deputation from the City of London on the Union of Benefices Bill, this afternoon, turned to a dreary list of questions with a sigh, for the sun was just beginning to appear after an almost complete absence since Sunday.

The proceedings were not without excitement, however, for Mr. Jack Jones provided an interlude. The Speaker has been accused of undue leniency in the case of Socialists misbehaving in the House, but this afternoon he descended upon Mr. Jack Jones with an impetus that quite surprised that remarkable politician. The Minister of Mines, who is engaged on a committee, was not present to answer questions, whereupon Mr. Jones remarked that the Minister was not present because he was incapable of answering. The Speaker at once demanded a withdrawal of the remark, or a withdrawal of Mr. Jones from the House. Mr. Jones casually informed the Speaker that he withdrew, but that he believed his remark was correct, all the same. The Speaker at once ordered him to withdraw from the House, which Mr. Jones did, muttering as he went. The House has been an acute sufferer from Mr. Jones's mannerisms during question hour this week.

Mr. Churchill presided over a minister debate concerning the proposed betting tax, but seven new members illuminated the proceedings by revealing what they knew of Turf means and measures. Mr. Churchill, however, provided more novel information than anybody else. "It is but seldom that there are two race meetings on one day," he informed a startled House, which, when the information had been assimilated, rocked with uncontrollable laughter. Mr. Churchill joined in when he realised that race meetings were not quite as uncommon as he had thought. Major Cohen asked him a question suggesting that a loss would be incurred on telegrams through betting having to take place on the course, but Mr. Churchill gaily replied that what he lost on the swings he would gain on the roundabouts.

Asked by Mr. Clynes whether the further stages of the Mining (Reconstruction) Bill would afford an appropriate occasion for a debate on the subject of representations made by the clerical deputation in regard to the mining dispute, Mr. Baldwin said that it was not quite certain whether that bill would be back from committee this week. It would be possible to raise the subject either on an estimate or on the Appropriation Bill. Mr. Clynes said that he and his friends would seek an earlier opportunity of debating the matter.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

Earl Winterton, Under-Secretary for India, submitted the India Office Estimates. He was able to congratulate his department, the House and the country generally upon the state of things, which he regarded as extremely hopeful. If there was one black spot in an otherwise satisfactory review, that was that Communal tension has been steadily increasing, and this, he said, now constituted the greatest menace confronting the Government of India. The strife between the Moslems and Hindus had led to a large number of conflicts and riots, and no religious festival had been carried through without elaborate precautions for the preservation or order.

In all other matters great progress had been made. The railways were in a satisfactory condition, and during the last three years, after all charges, including interest and capital, had been met, the net profit had been 6¾ millions sterling per annum. There was not much to complain of in regard to trade and finance, and he made the point that the Government of India was one of the few governments for a drastic curtailment of expenditure in order to free the finances of the country from the disturbances consequent upon the war.

Colonel Wedgwood was compelled to condole with the noble lord on having to make a statement so purely non-controversial. He expressed his satisfaction that we had in India as Viceroy an old member of the House, as the Commons was, perhaps, the best possible school for the teaching of responsible government.

The discussion that followed was varied to a degree, but there was very little serious criticism. Both Mr. Saklatvala and Mr. Johnston deplored the labour conditions which made it possible for many thousands of natives to be employed at something under £3 a month, and the hon. member for Dundee, in particular, pointed to the case of Bengal miners, who, he said, had to work for about 2s. 2d. a week.

Earl Winterton, in the course of his reply to the debate, said that Lord Birkenhead had adopted the proposal of the Government of India that there should be additional seats on the Legislative Councils for four Labour representatives and eight representatives of the depressed classes.

The vote was passed.

LORD BANBURY'S BILL.

Lord Banbury got very little sympathy from their lordships this evening when he moved the second reading of his one-clause bill repealing the Trade Disputes Act of 1906. The noble lord frankly admitted that a drastic proposal of this kind would come more fittingly from the Government of the day. The Government, however, had taken no step, and his reason for bringing forward his own bill was that if the matter was not tackled now it would never be done at all.

Lord Templemore moved the adjournment of the debate, and Lord Dunedin, supporting the amendment, said that there was little doubt in his mind that the trade unions wanted to govern the country, but that was a matter for the Government to deal with. The path to be trodden was a thorny one. No private member was capable of taking it.

The Lord Chancellor said that it was not correct to say that the Government were taking no measures to deal with the situation which had been created. A committee which has been apointed to consider the whole of the existing law affecting trade unions was on the point of making its recommendations, and these would be considered by the Cabinet at an early date, with a view to such legislation as might be found necessary. There were two strong objections to Lord Banbury's bill. In the first place it went too far, and in the next place it made no provision for secret ballots. The right of combination had only been won after a hard struggle, and the Government certainly never intended to take away that right. There were, however, abuses which required to be corrected, and this could only be effected on the responsibility of the Government.

The debate was adjourned with Lord Banbury's consent.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

Yesterday the King and Queen drove to the Stepney district and visited the piano factory of Messrs. John Broadwood and Sons, at Stour road, Old Ford. Their Majesties spent a considerable time in the works, and inspected the various departments with much interest.

The Prince of Wales fulfilled a round of engagements yesterday. After a brief visit to Hemel Hempstead, where the centenary of the West Herts Hospital was being celebrated, His Royal Highness went to Watford, and visited the Halsey Memorial Hall, the Peace Memorial Hospital, the London Orphan School, the Royal Masonic Institute for Boys and the Royal Caledonian Schools. He returned to York House in the evening.

Princess Beatrice will leave Kensington Palace to-day for Newport, Isle of Wight. She will spend the next three months at Carisbrooke Castle, and to-morrow will welcome the Prince of Wales on his first official visit to the island.

His Highness Prince Aga Khan has arrived at Kingstown and will attend the Curragh Races this week. The Earl and Countess of Granard have arrived at Castle Forbes from London, and will spend some time in Ireland. Lord and Lady Athlumney will go to Somerville, County Meath, as soon as the alterations in the house are completed: Bishop Plunket and the Hon. Mrs. Plunket returned to St. Anne's, Clontarf, last week, and will entertain a party there for the Dublin Horse Show.

Lord Carnegie and Lady Maud Carnegie, the Duchess of Buccleuch and party, Katharine Duchess of Westminster and the Duchess of Norfolk were present at the ball given by the Hon. Mrs. John Gretton (Lord Ventry's sister) at 35 Belgrave square, London. Her Irish guests included the Duchess of Abercorn and Lady Katharine Hamilton, the Marquis and Marchioness of Dufferin and Ava, Lady Kathleen Crichton, Viscountess Massereene and the Hon. Diana Skeffington, Viscountess de Vesci, and the Hon. Walter and Lady Evelyn Guinness.

General Sir Bryan Mahon and Lady Mahon have returned to Mullaboden, County Kildare, and attended the Curragh Races yesterday. Colonel the Hon. Walter and Lady Evelyn Guinness are in residence at 10 Grosvenor place, London, where Lady Evelyn will give a dance for her niece, Miss Rosalie Willoughby, on Friday night.

The Duke of Devonshire has left Hardwick Hall for Buxton, and will spend a month at St. Anne's Hotel. The Duchess of Roxburghe will leave Ireland next week to join the Duke of Roxburghe at Floors Castle. The Duke of Argyll is at Bath, where he is taking the cure. The Marquis and Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair will leave London to-morrow for Scotland.

The Hon. Mrs. Reginald Fellowes has chartered Earl Fitzwilliam's steam yacht Shemara for a two months' cruise, and will join the yacht at Arcachon this week. Among the owners seen at the Royal Yacht Squadron during the past few days were the Commodore the Duke of Leeds, the Marquis Camden, the Earl of Birkenhead, the Earl of Normanton, Lord Forster, Sir William Portal, Mr. Lionel de Rothschild, and Mr. E. D. Guinness.

Dr. W. H. Roberts has left Dublin until the end of August.

One of the most enjoyable events during Horse Show week will be the Annual Ball in aid of Mercer's Hospital and the Drogheda Cottage Hospital. In past years this has been an exceptionally enjoyable function, and this year it bids fair to eclipse all previous records. It will be under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor-General and many other distinguished patrons, and will be held, as usual, in the Imperial Ballroom, Clery's Building, on Wednesday, August 4th, at 9.30 p.m. Adelaide Orpheus Band. Champagne Supper. Tickets, 30s., can be obtained from Mrs. R. C. B. Maunsell, 60 Merrion square, Dublin, or the Hon. Secs., Mrs. L. V. Hunt, 18 Fair street, Drogheda.

Aravon School Sports will be held on Saturday, July 24th. The Headmaster hopes that Old Boys will take notice of the date, as it is impossible to send invitations to each individually.

Very Special Final Sale Reductions in Switzer's Millinery Department all this week. Next week the New Early Autumn Hats just received from Paris and London will be shown in readiness for the Horse Show.

At Holmes' Sale—All Models ruthlessly reduced, previous to stocktaking.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South Great George's street.

Chancellor and Son, Photographers. New Electric Studio, 7 Grafton street, Dublin.

Last two days of Madame Renée's Sale. Final reductions.—51a Dawson street.

Horse Show Models arriving daily at Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals.—The Rev. R. F. Shirley and Mrs. Shirley, J. T. Parker, Captain J. and Mrs. Blood, Mrs. F. W. Tyler, Mr. and Mr. P. J. Brownlow, M. G. Gubbins, Mrs. J. O'Connor, Captain McArdle.

Departures.—The Rev. P. A. Mullaly, T. C. Flinn, Dr. George Nesbit, M. G. McMurrough Kavanagh, the Bishop of Cork, Pierce F. Purcell.

McBirney's Great Summer Sale, this and following days. Write for Price List. Sent post free.

The Mansfield Sisters are making still further reductions in all departments during the last days of Sale.—28 Wicklow street.

Wilton Square Carpets in great variety. All sizes in stock. Prices moderate.—Millar and Beatty, Ltd.

Anderson, Stanford and Ridgeway's, Grafton street. Big arrival of Carpets.

Reliable Gold Wrist Watches. Fully-jewelled Levers from 57s. 6d. Silver Wrist Watches from 28s. 6d.—John Morton, 48 Nassau st.

Important New Appointment — Brown Thomas & Co. have pleasure in announcing the appointment of Mr. J. Kervon as Cutter and Fitter for their Ladies' Costume and Coat Section.—Grafton street, Dublin.

Chiropody and Massage. Consultations free. Miss Bithrey, 97 Grafton street (first floor).

Sale—Frocks from 20s., Coats from 3 gns., at Kathlyn's, 54 South King street.

TO LADIES.—Elastic Stockings, Belts and Medical appliances. Special department for ladies on 1st floor. Female attendant.—Fannin and Co., 41 Grafton st.

Annual Summer Sale now proceeding. Further reductions this week—Davis and Co., 45 Grafton st.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—A deep depression centred over Iceland is almost stationary, but secondaries to it are likely to move across the British Isles from the Atlantic. Weather will be rather unsettled generally, with rain or drizzle spreading from the West slowly to all districts.

Ireland.—Wind between west and south-west or south, fresh at times; mainly cloudy, occasional rain or drizzle; visibility moderate to good; moderate temperature.

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SALE OF NATIONAL LAND BANK.

ABSORBED BY BANK OF IRELAND.

STATE'S GOOD BARGAIN.

INTERESTS OF CUSTOMERS AND STAFF SAFEGUARDED.

THE National Land Bank, which has been in existence for nearly six and a half years, is being acquired by the Bank of Ireland. Mr. Blythe, in the Dail yesterday, announced that the Executive Council had accepted an offer of £203,000 for the Free State Government's interest in the bank.

The directors of the Land Bank endorse the Government's decision, which, they state is a "wise move," as the Land Bank occupied an anomalous position, since it was neither a State bank nor a bank controlled by private shareholders. They declare that it has been apparent to them for some years that there is no satisfactory "half-way house."

They point out that only a relatively small proportion of the Government's business was entrusted to the bank, which did not succeed in justifying the early anticipations that it would obtain a substantial share of the bank deposits in Ireland.

The Bank of Ireland intends to continue the Land Bank, and the interests of the clients are fully safeguarded. The present directors—with the exception of Mr. Blythe and Mr. McElligott—will continue to act, and the staff will be taken over or substantially compensated.

The Minister's statement apparently took the House by surprise, and Mr. M. Heffernan, of the Farmers' Party, moved that the sale should not be proceeded with pending the publication of the report of the Banking Commission. The motion was defeated by 32 votes against 18.

DEBATE IN DAIL.

MINISTER'S ACCOUNT OF NEGOTIATIONS.

Mr. Blythe, Minister for Finance, in Dail Eireann yesterday, stated that the Executive Council had decided to dispose of the interest of the Minister for Finance in the National Land Bank. He had on a previous occasion referred to the anomalous position of that bank, and he had asked the Banking Commission to consider what should be the future of the National Land Bank—whether it should be continued as heretofore or whether its work should be terminated. The Banking Commission, in an interim report, recommended that the bank should be discontinued, either by disposing of it to another institution or winding it up.

Before the matter had been considered by the Banking Commission he had received an inquiry from the Bank of Ireland as to whether the Government would consider an offer for the purchase of the National Land Bank. The result of negotiations that followed was that the Bank of Ireland had offered £203,000 for the interests of the Minister for Finance in the National Land Bank. That was the amount of the paid up capital of the bank, and the Executive Council had accepted the offer. Of that sum £13,000 would remain outstanding for a period of three years. The reason for that arrangement was to make provision for the staff of the National Land Bank.

HISTORY OF BANK.

The bank was founded in 1919 with the object, chiefly, of preventing the national struggle from being turned into a land war, and to help in the distribution of land. After some time it was decided to widen the scope of the bank and to receive money on deposit from the public. Branches were set up in different parts, but they got little support, even from persons who asked for these branches. Those branches came under the suspicion of the British authorities; several were raided, and the whole staff of one was taken out on a lorry into the country. The persons who entered the service of the National Land Bank from other posts of substantial value undertook very substantial risks, and it was incumbent upon the Government to see that they were not victimised or let down in any way.

The Bank of Ireland had agreed that the permanent staff of the Land Bank would be given employment at salaries not less than those which they were in receipt of before the transfer, and also that provision should be made for their retiring pensions in accordance with the Irish banks arbitration award. Those members of the staff for whom the Bank of Ireland could not find employment would receive compensation equivalent to two-thirds of their salaries. The Government had agreed that half the cost of giving that compensation should be borne by the State, and that was why the £13,000 of the purchase money would remain outstanding for three years.

In reply to Mr. Johnson, the Minister said that the staff of the Land Bank would have the option of going over to the Bank of Ireland, and they would be given employment equivalent to that which they were leaving, and without reduction of salary. If they were not given that employment the bill for compensation would be a very high one. The Bank of Ireland would continue to run the National Land Bank central branch as heretofore for a period of, perhaps, a year, so that its customers might not be inconvenienced, and might be given time to make other arrangements.

A GOOD BARGAIN.

Even before he knew of the offer, the auditor of the bank had been asked, in view of statements in the Dail recently, to estimate what would be the selling value of the Government's assets in the National Land Bank. The auditor's report was such that the Government was satisfied that the present offer was a good one. It would give a greater sum to the Exchequer than would have been realised by liquidating the bank.

Liquidation would have been an extremely difficult matter, and disposal of the staff would have meant the paying out of a great sum. It would have been impossible in the case of many customers of the bank to bring their accounts to a close without allowing a very long period to elapse, and in the meantime the bank would gain no new customers and would be more and more a losing concern every day.

He considered that the Government were fortunate in having got a good offer for the interest of the State.

Mr. Esmonde asked whether opportunity had been given to other companies to make an offer.

Mr. Blythe replied that other companies had the same opportunity. It was known in banking circles that the matter was under discussion.

With regard to the £300,000 advanced by the State to the National Land Bank for the purposes of the Trade Loans Guarantee Act, Mr. Blythe (in reply to Mr. Wilson) said that twelve months' notice had to be given before the advance could be withdrawn. If the Bank of Ireland were willing to continue the work for which the advance was made there might be some object in leaving it there, otherwise the proper method would be to give notice to withdraw.

Mr. Johnson asked whether the Minister had obtained any security against the Bank of Ireland being "gobbled up" by some other bank.

Mr. Blythe said that when the final report of the Banking Commission was received among the questions that would have to be considered would be the question of banks that were not Irish companies, and whether banks not registered in the Free State should be allowed to carry on.

Mr. Johnson asked what hurry there was in connection with the transfer, and whether

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"A WISE DECISION."

STATEMENT BY LAND BANK DIRECTORS.

The following statement was issued last evening from the head office of the National Land Bank, Dublin:—

We have to announce that proposals under which the shares now held by the Minister for Finance will be purchased by the Bank of Ireland have been accepted by the Government, and the Bank of Ireland will consequently have control of the bank in future.

The reasons which have led the Government to take this step and the various details of the arrangement will, we understand, be explained in the Dail to-day by the Minister for Finance. We have, however, the authority of the Governors and Directors of the Bank of Ireland to state that it is their intention to continue the National Land Bank, and that the change in ownership will not in any way adversely affect the business of the bank, which will be carried on in these premises as heretofore. Clients of the bank will be able to continue business without any change, and the bank will be in a position to offer the same facilities to the public as previously, with the additional advantage of a close connection with the Bank of Ireland.

The question of the possible discontinuance of branches of the bank where branches of the Bank of Ireland also exist will be considered later, and in any change which may prove desirable the interests of the clients of the bank will be fully safeguarded. We would like also to say that the interests and rights of the staff have been fully safeguarded in the agreement made with the Minister.

We are also authorised to state that the present directors will continue on the Board of the National Land Bank, with the exception of the Minister for Finance and Mr. McElligott, who is his direct representative.

We would like to take this opportunity to state that, in our opinion, the decision of the Government to accept the offer made by the Bank of Ireland is a wise one, having regard to all the circumstances. It has been apparent to us for some years that there was no satisfactory half-way house between a State Bank, regulated by statute and carrying out definite functions for and on behalf of the State, and a bank controlled by private shareholders. The position of the National Land Bank has been anomalous, in so far as it was neither one nor the other. Its functions were not clearly defined, and only a relatively small proportion of the Government's business was entrusted to it.

In form it has been managed and has functioned for the past few years on similar lines to the Irish Joint Stock Banks. When it was created by the action of the First Dail it was believed that it would be supported by the people, and that it would obtain a substantial share of the bank deposits in Ireland.

These anticipations were not fully realised, and as the Government did not consider the development of the bank into a State Bank either desirable or practicable at the present time, it is our considered opinion that they have acted wisely in accepting the offer of the Bank of Ireland, as under these proposals the State connection with the bank is terminated without any inconvenience to the bank's customers, and without endangering the rights of the bank's staff.

(Signed)

JAMES G. DOUGLAS, Chairman.
J. J. MCELLIGOTT,
E. SMITH-GORDON,
T. CAFFREY, Directors.

HISTORY OF THE BANK.

BALANCE SHEET FIGURES FOR 1924-5.

The National Land Bank was registered in December, 1919, under the Industrial and Provident Societies Acts, with its offices at 66 Lower Leeson street. Mr. Lionel Smith Gordon was Secretary and Manager, and the directors were:—

MR. R. C. BARTON (Chairman), SIR H. GRATTAN BELLEW, MR. JAMES MCNEILL, MR. R. ERSKINE CHILDERS, and MR. H. DIXON.

The company was afterwards incorporated like other Irish banks, and the head office was removed to 10 College Green, Dublin.

The capital is £406,636 in shares of £1, all of which has been subscribed, and £203,337, or 10s. per share, called up.

In December, 1922, interest was paid on the share capital (in accordance with a decree of Dail Eireann in November, 1919) up to December 31st, 1922. Under the provisions of the Dail Eireann Loans and Funds Acts, 406,000 shares in the bank were vested in the Minister of Finance in 1923, and shares held by Co-operative Farming Societies were repaid.

The Board of Directors was reconstituted in accordance with the new distribution of shares, and consisted of:—

MR. JAMES C. DOUGLAS (Chairman),
MR. ERNEST BLYTHE (Minister of Finance),
MR. J. J. MCELLIGOTT, and
MR. LIONEL SMITH GORDON, managing director and secretary.
MR. T. CAFFREY acted as general manager.

In the first half of 1924 the register of Compensation Stock was opened at the head office of the bank, and immediately afterwards a register was opened for Land Bonds under the Act of 1923. During the year 1925 Land Mortgages valued at £312,319 were transferred to the Irish Land Commission, and were replaced in the accounts by 4½ per cent. Land Bonds of an equivalent amount. To meet any difference in the market value of the bonds, the directors by agreement with the Minister of Finance transferred to special reserve the sum of £88,611, an amount voted in 1921, and held to credit of deposit account to meet this contingency.

A sum of £5,823 was paid as interest on the capital out of a net profit of £15,316, being at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum. A dividend was also paid in December, 1924.

Early in the present year Mr. Lionel Smyth Gordon, the Managing Director and Secretary, resigned his position to become Manager of the Industrial Trust Company of Ireland, but he retained his directorship.

Appended is a table setting forth the principal balance sheet items as at December, 1924, and December, 1925, the report for 1926 not yet having been published:—

	Dec., 1924. £	Dec., 1925. £
Capital	203,017	203,017
Land Security Deposits	83,524	*88,611
Deposits and other Accounts	1,380,293	1,567,472
Reserve Fund	14,000	17,000
Premises Reserve	7,507	9,500
Land Advances	314,887	†424,557
Cash	324,725	490,159
Advances	895,140	876,276
Bills Discounted	46,502	48,508
Premises	67,065	67,965
Gross Profits	21,934	41,216
Working Expenses	14,289	25,900
Net Profit	7,654	15,316
To Reserves	5,000	5,000
Forward	6,550	6,550

* Now "Special Reserve."
† Now represented by "Investments in Government Securities, Mortgage Debenture Bonds, and Bonds in course of transfer."

The cash position of the bank has always been very strong. Branches were opened in Limerick, Waterford, Tralee, Athlone, and Ennis; while the Westminster Bank and the Guaranty Trust Company of New York acted as agents in London, New York, and Paris.

BIG FIRE IN GALWAY.

THEATRE AND AUCTION MART BURNED.

OUTBREAK CAUSED BY FUSED WIRES.

Last evening a fire broke out in the Victoria Cinema Theatre, Galway, and within a few hours the theatre and an adjoining building were destroyed.

The fire was caused by the fusing of wires in the operating box, and the few people in the theatre at the time escaped.

THE OUTBREAK.

FILM SCREENS ON FIRE.

The fire in the theatre started at twenty minutes past seven o'clock, just as the operator was preparing to project the first film on the screen. Only a few people had taken their seats in the auditorium and the balcony, at the back of which was the concrete operating box, which contained the films. The regular operator was away, and in his absence Mr. James Joyce, who is employed by Mr. M. J. H. McGrath, the lessee of the theatre, took charge.

As Joyce switched on the electric current to operate the cinematograph machine, the wires fused. There was a blinding flash, and it was found that one of the film boxes had burst into flames. Joyce immediately gave the alarm, and Mr. McGrath dashed upstairs with a chemical fire extinguishing apparatus.

ESCAPE OF THE AUDIENCE.

By this time the operating box was a mass of smoke and flames, and in their effort to check the fire both the operator and the proprietor had their hands and hair singed, and had to be treated by a doctor. Meanwhile the small audience had hurriedly left, and Thomas Laffey, of the Claddagh, was sent for the only fire engine that is available in the city. It is housed with the Civic Guards at Eglinton Street Station. A few minutes later picture-goers who walked along Eyre square to Victoria place to the theatre were amazed to find the building in flames. The fire had spread with great rapidity, and in less than half an hour the theatre, which was erected by the late Mr. R. J. Mackie fifteen years ago, was a mass of sparks and flames.

Sergeant Hand, of Eglinton Street Station, organised a *posse* of the Guards, and hurried to the scene, while the hand fire engine was brought along. Superintendent Comyn withdrew every Guard in the city from duty and sent them to the fire, and an armed company of the Irish-speaking battalion of the Army, under Captain Timony, came from Renmore Barracks to keep back the thousands that by nine o'clock had collected around the theatre.

FIGHTING THE FLAMES.

The employés of the Galway General Omnibus Company, whose depôt is across the road, stood by to guard their petrol tanks and the vehicles from the flying sparks, while Messrs McDonogh's men gathered on the tarred roofs of the guano stores, with buckets of water and wet sacks, to keep down the flames. The wind blew from the south-west, and every gust sent showers of sparks and burning wood on to the roof. It was a thrilling sight to see the men on the roofs working hard to keep the sporting flames under control. No sooner had a flame sprung up on one part of the roof than a vigilant fire-fighter pounced upon it with wet sacks or water buckets.

The portion of the furniture and antiques were removed from Roche's auction mart, next door, which is Church property, and where for many years meetings of the various societies had been held; but the flames encompassed it so rapidly that the fire-fighters had to depend their ladders and try to prevent the fire from reaching the dwellings next door.

By 11 o'clock the flames had sprung skywards and the two buildings resembled two great torches. Many tourists crowded the windows of the Railway Hotel to watch the spectacle. A pathetic interlude was afforded when a big black cat, frightened by the crowds, dashed into the burning building, and before it could regain safety was burned to a cinder.

CALL TO THE CURRAGH.

For a time it looked as if the great gas containers of the Galway Gas Light Company were in danger, but fortunately the wind veered in the other direction and they were saved. The military fire brigade at the Curragh was telegraphed for, and news was received that they had left for the scene at 9 o'clock. The fire strikingly illustrates the urgent need for efficient provincial brigades. The theatre was worth from £8,000 to £10,000, and was partially insured.

At 11 o'clock full water pressure was obtained, and the Guards broke through Mannion's house, next to the Auction Mart, and turned a line of hose into the flames, thus checking the fire. Mr. Carter, caretaker of the mart, is homeless, and a sum of £50, the property of his sister, is said to have been lost in the fire. The Mannions are likewise homeless, and all their furniture is on the street. By heroic efforts the gas workers succeeded in cutting off an old gas pipe connecting the works across the road with the theatre.

At midnight the fire was under control.

U.S. HEAT WAVE DEATHS.

The spasmodic heat wave of the past fortnight reached its apex in Chicago, where 25 persons have died of heat stroke, with the mercury at 100 or above. In South Dakota the temperature was 108.

New York's temperature has been more bearable during the last few days, but in the middle West the temperature has reached 100 degrees.—(Reuter.)

HEAD OF THE "CHEKA."

DEATH OF DZERCZINSKY.

MOSCOW, Tuesday.

The death is announced of Dzerczinsky, a People's Commissar. He was President of the Supreme Economic Council of the Soviet Union, and the President of the "A.G.P.U.," or State Political Department, formerly known as the "Cheka." His death occurred suddenly, owing to cardiac paralysis.

Dzerczinsky was born in 1877. He began to take part in the revolutionary movement in 1895, and was one of the principal leaders of the October revolution. He became President of the Cheka, and later of the "A.G.P.U." (State Political Department).—(Reuter.)

NEW PATENTS BILL.

THE PROTECTION OF AN INVENTOR'S RIGHTS.

GOVERNMENT'S PLAN

IF DECISION OF THE HIGH COURT IS UPHELD.

IN Dail Eireann yesterday Mr. P. McGilligan, Minister for Industry and Commerce, introduced the Patents, Designs and Trade Marks Bill.

He referred to the judgment given by Mr. Justice Meredith in the High Court last week to the effect that Letters Patent granted in London before December 7th, 1921, had no force in the Free State, and said that, if that decision were established as a rule of law, it was the view of the Executive Council that there should be legislation to declare the validity of the patents concerned.

If the Supreme Court reversed Mr. Justice Meredith's decision, the bill would be withdrawn.

The Minister for Justice invited the House to approve the Rules of Court. Mr. Thomas Johnson moved the rejection of the rules for the Circuit Court. The debate was adjourned.

PATENTS BILL.

SEQUEL TO HIGH COURT DECISION.

In Dail Eireann yesterday, Mr. McGilligan, Minister for Commerce, sought leave to introduce a Patents and Designs Bill. The main section, he said, was Section 2, which was to give continued validity to patents granted by the Patent Office, in London, before the 7th December, 1921. There were a few other sections doing exactly the same with regard to trade marks and designs.

Deputies, the Minister said, must have noticed that a judge of the High Court had decided that patents granted before the 7th December, 1921, ceased, by the very setting up of the Free State, to have any further force and effect in the Free State. An appeal had been entered against that decision, and the matter was *sub judice*. If that judgment were established, it was the view of the Executive Council that there should be legislation to declare the validity of the patents, and to declare that with retrospective effect.

The bill is the Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Validation) Bill, and the purpose is stated in the title as being "to declare and establish the validity in the Saorstat Eireann of certain British patents and the British registration of certain trade marks and designs."

Mr. Johnson asked if it was decent to introduce at that stage a bill which could not be taken further till November. It seemed to be calculated to prejudice the decision of the Court.

QUESTION OF COPYRIGHT.

Major Cooper pointed out that the Minister had omitted altogether the question of copyright, which might be challenged any day in the same way as patents.

Mr. O'Connell—Will the Minister say whether the bill will be necessary if the decision of the High Court is reversed?

Mr. McGilligan—No.

Mr. Johnson—Then it is a bill which we certainly ought not to allow to be introduced. It is what is called "waving the flag"—a move on the roofs working hard to keep the sporting flames under control. No sooner had a flame sprung up on one part of the roof than a vigilant fire-fighter pounced upon it with wet sacks or water buckets.

Mr. Johnson said that he opposed the introduction of the bill, not on account of the merits, because of those he knew nothing, but because of the statements of the Ministers. The position had been known for some months in the departments.

Mr. McGilligan—No.

Mr. Johnson—It has been believed in the departments to be what has been found by the Court.

Mr. McGilligan—No; it has not.

Mr. O'Higgins—Where does the deputy get that extraordinary information?

Mr. Johnson—I am making an assertion.

Mr. O'Higgins—And we are making the contrary assertion.

Mr. Johnson, resuming, said that it had been general public property that the law was as stated by Mr. Justice Meredith. Now Ministers were wakening, suddenly, to the fact that that was the position; and, in response to the outcry across the water, they produced this measure. There had been no outcry in Ireland as in defence of Irish interests. He asked whether any reciprocal proposals had been obtained from the British side. Under the present patents law protection should not be given unless certain steps had been taken by the patentees to manufacture the patented articles in the Free State. Was that being put into operation? Compliance with that law ought to have been obtained as a *quid pro quo* in connection with the declaration of validity.

A CRIMINAL ACT.

Major Cooper said that patents were the outcome of a man's brains and became a valuable asset. Why should they, a new State, confiscate property belonging to others who had invested their money and used their mental powers to develop industry and increase the amenities of life? To do so would be a wrong and criminal act. He submitted that the protection of the State's reputation for honesty and fair-play was more important than the matter of justifying Deputy Johnson's national pride and dignity.

Mr. J. J. Walsh asked if Deputy Cooper were aware that a number of patents had been recently stolen from another country.

Major Cooper replied that if there were any case like that, it should be brought before the Courts. He ventured to think that the Minister did wisely in giving notice that they were prepared to deal with this matter not on a national, but on an international basis, and that they would treat gentlemen of other countries fairly. He would be sorry if Deputy Johnson carried the question to a division, because it meant that the Saorstat would get a reputation that would not be enviable.

BOTH WAYS.

Mr. McGilligan remarked that there was no one in the House who stood up to defend the dignity of the Courts more than Deputy Johnson, and at the same time he held the judges up to scorn. Let them imagine a judge—asked to decide if there were such a law existing in the Free State—being influenced by the present bill. That, however, was Deputy Johnson's opinion of the judges. The deputy had spoken about the patentees manufacturing in the Saorstat, and had asked why the Government did not enforce certain obligations as a *quid pro quo* for recognising the validity of the patents of yesterday and at the same time the deputy held that there was no patents law in the country. He wondered if that were an example of the public's knowledge of patents law, and if Deputy Johnson, in his wisdom, were giving it as such to the House.

Deputy Johnson had spoken about waving flags, but he had hoisted a very extraordinary flag there that day—the flag of the pirate—and that was why he had requested the House to refuse the bill a first reading.

On a division the first reading motion was carried by 46 votes to 9.

BILLS FROM SENATE.

The House then took up consideration of business received back from the Senate. The amendments made by that House to the following measures were accepted:—Juries (Dublin) Bill, Local Authorities (Officers and Employés) Bill, Finance Bill, and Shop Hours (Drapery Trades, Dublin and Districts) Bill.

On the Tariff Commission Bill, the Minister moved that the House agree with the Senate's amendment to Section 2 of the measure. The amendment proposes that the

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HOUSE OF LORDS REFORM.

MR. BALDWIN'S REPLY TO DEPUTATION.

VIEWS OF UNIONIST MEMBERS.

The Grand Committee Room at the House of Commons was crowded yesterday afternoon by a deputation of Unionist members who waited on the Prime Minister to impress upon the Government the urgency of the reform of the House of Lords. The following official report of the proceedings was issued:—

"The Prime Minister, who was accompanied by the Lord Privy Seal, the Secretary of State for India, the Home Secretary, the Secretary of State for Air, the First Commissioner of Works, and the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, met to-day a deputation from Unionist members of both Houses of Parliament in connection with the reform of the House of Lords.

"In reply to statements made on behalf of the deputation by Sir Robert Sanders and the Earl of Midleton, the Prime Minister repeated the pledge which he had previously given, that it was the intention of the Government to deal with this question in the lifetime of the present Parliament. If the members of the two Committees of the House of Lords and the House of Commons could reach a close measure of agreement on a definite scheme of reform, the Government would welcome any suggestions which might result from their joint deliberations."

COMMITTEES' VIEWS.

The Press Association adds that Sir Robert Sanders, in introducing the deputation, placed before the Prime Minister the results of the last meeting of the Committee, which was attended by some eighty members. It was unanimously agreed, he said, that the Parliament Act is, admittedly, a temporary and incomplete measure. It was agreed nearly unanimously that the necessary amendment of the Parliament Act ought to be considered without delay. It was unanimously agreed that the duty of defining what is, or is not, a Money Bill should no longer rest with the Speaker. It was agreed nearly unanimously that no Bill rejected by the Second Chamber should become law without reference to the electorate, provided always that the Second Chamber be reconstituted on a more democratic basis than the existing House of Lords. It was unanimously agreed that, in case of a difference between the two Houses, which cannot be settled by conference and negotiation, the Government may resort to a referendum.

A long discussion on the "hereditary element" took place. When put to the vote, 33 voted against the hereditary element and 26 for it, a number refraining from voting. The danger we apprehend, said Sir Robert, is not so much that of Socialists getting a majority in the country. What is more than possible is that, without a majority in the country, they may have, as we have now, a considerable majority in the House of Commons. In that case they could, under the Parliament Act, pass, in one year, any measure certified by their Speaker to be financial, and, in two years, any measure of any sort or kind, without consulting the people in any way. That is a very great danger. It is one that we think it is particularly the duty of a Government with a big majority to deal with, and we respectfully urge that a start ought to be made next session, in order that a remedial measure may be given every chance to pass, and in order that it may not be new to the electorate when an election comes on.

The Earl of Midleton said:—We have been able to ascertain the views of between 200 and 300 Unionist peers on the question of Second Chamber reform. The vast majority of them have signified, in writing, their general assent to the principle of reform on the following lines:—

1.—The Parliament Act is held to require amendment—(a) in regard to the Speaker's sole discretion as to money bills; (b) as regards the power of the House of Commons, under the Parliament Act, to pass measures of constitutional change affecting the Crown and the Second Chamber of Parliament as the sole instrument of legislation; (c) as regards the absence of any provision for settling differences between the two Houses, either by referendum or otherwise.

2.—Provided that the Parliament Act can be so amended that drastic changes cannot be carried through without the will of the people being clearly ascertained, the great majority of peers, whose opinion we have ascertained, are willing to accept changes in the *personnel* of the House of Lords. They recognise that the numbers of the House should be reduced, and that opportunity should be given for the admission of men representing all political parties; but they are not prepared to sacrifice, for themselves and their descendants, their hereditary rights to sit and vote, unless some proportion of the new House be chosen by the existing peers. Subject to the above, provided that the measure be a simple one, dealing with as few questions as possible and be put forward with the authority of the Government, we anticipate that its passage through the House of Lords would be assured.

The deputation comprised 120 members of Parliament, headed by Sir Robert Sanders, Bart., Chairman of the Second Chamber Committee, and forty-eight peers.

CITY OF LONDON'S PETITION.

PICTURESQUE CEREMONY IN THE COMMONS.

Members of the House of Commons yesterday witnessed the rare and picturesque ceremony of the presentation of a petition at the Bar of the House on behalf of the Corporation of the City of London. When the private business had been disposed of the Sergeant-at-Arms advanced to the Table, and, addressing the Speaker, said—"Mr. Sheriff, the City of London." He then took the Mace on his shoulders; I retired towards the Bar. Meanwhile, attendants of the House were placing in position the Bar, which is never seen except on an occasion of this kind.

While this was being done, Mr. Jack Jones said:—Mr. Speaker, on a point of order, may I ask this question, in my ignorance: "I should like to know if er Corporations who have petitions against bills passed by Parliament——" (Cries of "Order.")

The Speaker—That question should be put at some other time.

By this time the Sheriffs of the City of London—Mr. Alderman Batho and Mr. Francis Agar, in Court dress, and wearing scarlet gowns and their chains of office, and the City Remembrancer, in wig and gown, had approached the Bar, where they were met by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who stood at their right with the Mace while they were in the Chamber.

The Sheriffs having made three obeisances, the Speaker, addressing the Sheriff, said—"Mr. Sheriff, what have you there?" Mr. Alderman Batho replied: "A petition from the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of London in Common Council assembled, praying that the Union of Benefices and Disposal of Churches (Metropolis) Measure of 1926 be not presented to His Majesty for the Royal Assent." The Sheriff, Alderman Batho, then handed the petition to one of the clerks, who brought it to the Senior Clerk at the table.

Mr. E. C. Grenfell—I beg to move that the salient parts of the petition be read to the House.

While this was being done by the Clerk of the House, Sir Lonsdale Webster, the Sheriffs and the City Remembrancer remained standing at the Bar, and afterwards they made three reverences to the Speaker, and withdrew backwards from the Chamber, still accompanied by the Sergeant-at-Arms.

The Mace was then restored to the table, and the House resumed its ordinary business.

RESERVED SEATS FOR RAILWAY PASSENGERS.

In an advertisement which is published today, the Great Southern Railways announce the introduction of innovations which are of much interest to the travelling public. Passengers can have their seats in trains reserved in advance on payment of one shilling per passenger; and, motor cars, accompanying a party consisting of not less than two first and four third class passengers, will be conveyed at the much reduced rate of three pence per mile.

LATE NEWS

THE LANE PICTURES.

LORD ABERDEEN'S VIEW

In a letter to *The Times*, Lord Aberdeen and Temair writes:—If Sir Hugh Lane had been of Scottish birth, or even a domiciled resident in Scotland when he wrote his final codicil, it would certainly have been valid; for according to Scottish law and usage any "holograph" codicil found among the papers of a deceased person, even though the document is unattested by witnesses and expressed in simplest language, would certainly be recognised by any Scottish law court as operative. Of course, this does not affect the "letter of the law" in England, though it seems to suggest an effective analogy, and, although the Commissioners can on legal grounds claim the retention of the pictures, they would also apparently be entitled to waive that claim and, by an act of grace and national courtesy, recommend the restoration of the collection to Ireland. Or, if legislation is needed to enable this to be done, it can scarcely be believed that there would be any exception in this instance to the adage, "Where there's a will there's a way."

The matter has, in truth, a national, or rather an international, bearing, and I would beg to draw attention to the recent utterances of your well-known contemporary, the *Irish Times* on this aspect of the subject. Thus in a leading article of the *Irish Times* of the 15th inst., the following passage occurs—with reference to a speech by Mr. S. L. Brown, K.C., in the Free State Senate:—

"When Senator Brown said that this was a case not between two galleries, but between two nations, he lifted it to its proper plane. Things infinitely more precious than the Lane pictures are at stake in the dispute. If they disturb the growing friendship between England and the Free State the pictures may become a shirt of Nessus to England . . . and would blast a thousand hopes. If the fate of the Lane pictures furnishes Ireland with a noble proof of English magnanimity and good-will, they may acquire a value ten times greater than that of all the Old Masters which have been transferred from Europe to America. . . . The pictures must be won for Dublin by appeals, not to legal rights, but to moral and social expediency. We must ask the British Government and Parliament to take the necessary measures, mainly because the return of the pictures would breed respect and friendship between both countries."

Of course, everyone acquainted with Ireland knows that the *Irish Times* is the recognised and chief exponent of what is still described as Unionist feeling in that country, but amongst the widespread regions where readers of *The Times* are to be found there may be many who are not aware of the above circumstance, which certainly gives an encouraging significance to the advocacy above quoted.

In conclusion, if a personal item may be permitted, I venture to remark that, having been officially resident in Ireland during the years when the discussions regarding the *habitat* of the Lane pictures were in progress, I am one of those who can testify to the strong, earnest purpose and wish of Sir Hugh Lane that the pictures should have their permanent home in Dublin, and that any deviation from this purpose should be regarded as a phase of a merely temporary and transient character. Taking a comprehensive view of the matter, it seems clear that it would not be consistent with British dignity and British fair-play to allow any accidental technicality to be the means of withholding an action which would be fraught with lasting benefit in regard to the relations between the two countries.

[A statement in the Dail yesterday will be found on Page 3.]

DEATH OF CRIMEAN VETERAN.

SURVIVOR OF THE LIGHT BRIGADE.

Mr. James Hewitt, who was supposed to be the last survivor of the charge of the Light Brigade at Balaclava, died on Monday last at his residence, 15 Hamilton place, Portrush.

Mr. Hewitt was born near Ballyshannon, County Donegal, in November, 1831. In 1853 he enlisted in the 13th Light Dragoons at Canterbury, and in the following year he was sent with his regiment to the Crimea. He had the Crimean Medal, with four clasps—Sebastopol, Alma, Inkerman, and Balaclava. After the Crimean War Hewitt served in the Indian Mutiny, had the Central Indian Medal, the Red River Medal, 1870, and the North Saskatchewan Medal, 1885.

In 1910 Mr. Hewitt returned to Ireland, and settled for a time at Drumquin, County Tyrone. The unsettled state of that county afterwards caused him to leave it and settle at Portrush.

KING OF AFGHANISTAN.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE AMIR'S TITLE.

SIMLA, Tuesday.

The latest advices from Kabul report that a movement is on foot to change the title of the Amir of Afghanistan to King of Afghanistan.

The Hakin-i'-Ala (Governor) of Kabul, who was recently awarded the Astur Medal of the First Class, with 10,000 Afghanis, for good services, speaking after the Juma prayers, asked the congregation to replace the word "Amir" by "King," because Amir only meant the chief of a tribe, whereas the Amir Amanullah Khan was the independent King of an independent Kingdom, controlling all internal and external rights and privileges.—(Reuter.)

THE LATE DOWAGER LADY HEADFORT.

FATAL FALL FROM A LIFT.

Mr. Ingleby Oddie, the Westminster Coroner, yesterday recorded a verdict of accidental death in the case of the Dowager Marchioness of Headfort, who died at her residence, 32 Wilton place, Knightsbridge, London, as the result of falling from a lift.

Colonel Stanley, M.P., of Eaton place, said that the Dowager Marchioness, who was aged 86 years, was his mother-in-law. He saw her last three weeks ago, after she had met with the accident, but she did not tell him how it happened.

Louisa Dalby, lady's maid, said that at five o'clock on the afternoon of June 28 she was going to dress the Marchioness for a motor drive, and found her on the marble floor of the hall, by the lift. The Marchioness said: "Please pull me up. I fell out of the lift. I thought it was at the floor, but it was away from it."

Dr. Alfred Bakewell Howitt, of Chesham street, the Marchioness's medical attendant, said that he was called in after the accident and found that the Marchioness had broken an ankle, and had bruises on her right wrist, neck and face. She remained in bed, and had three nurses to look after her. She had been failing in health very rapidly during the last six months, and he had told her relatives that he did not think that she would live much longer. Complications followed the accident, and her temperature rose. She gradually became weaker, and died on Friday from bronchitis, following fracture of the ankle.

The Coroner, in recording his verdict, said that no doubt death was accelerated by the shock and exhaustion.

IMPROVING DUBLIN ROADS.

At a meeting of the South Dublin Rural Council held yesterday, Mr. J. J. Ryan, Borough Surveyor, stated in his report that the roads in the Council's district were in fair working order. The following works, financed by the Government grant from the Road Fund, are in progress in the district:—Surface tarring, Chapelizod to Hermitage, £600 12s. 8d.; surface tarring, Terenure to Embankment, £2,215; surface tarring, Donnybrook to Nutley, £193 1s.; surface tarring, Inchicore to Kingswood, £650 12s. 4d.

Having represented the Edgbaston Division of Birmingham in Parliament for twenty-eight years, Sir Francis Lowe will retire at the dissolution of the present Parliament.

FRANC FALLS AGAIN.

BAD PRESS FOR M. HERRIOT.

MAY FAIL TO GET A MAJORITY.

"A SAD BUSINESS."

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Tuesday.

A CABINET Council was held this afternoon. It was reported that M. de Monzie presented his resignation at the meeting because his colleagues would not agree that he should have "special powers" to deal with the financial situation, but withdrew it on pressure from his colleagues. M. de Monzie afterwards issued a formal denial of this report.

Meanwhile it may be confidently asserted that no new Government in France has ever had a worse "Press" than has that of M. Herriot to-day. This attitude, varying between violent disapproval and despairing hope, was promptly reflected by exchange, which fell 15½ points to 240.25, though it recovered a couple of points later.

The attacks on M. Herriot are manifold in number, and, naturally, not all of the same importance. Until a change comes over the spirit of French politicians, even the dissolution for which certain quarters clamour would produce merely another Chamber of the same kind.

The saddest part of all this sad business is the inability of the parties in the Chamber to realise that their duty to the country in this crisis is not to "dish" their political opponents, but to unite under the guidance of those who understand economic questions in facing economic facts.

CHANCES OF A MAJORITY.

The chances of the new Government's obtaining a trustworthy majority in the Chamber are, at the best, extremely doubtful.

In Parliamentary circles last night few persons were ready to predict that the Government would survive its first appearance in the Chamber for many days. To-day there is a slightly more reserved estimate of the situation, and the possibility is recognised that if M. Herriot receives the full support of the Socialist-Radical and Socialist groups, which is not certain in either case, he may get a small majority on the first vote of confidence.

The total vote of the two groups is about 240, and the Government will obtain other votes from the Painlevé group, the Loucheur group, and a few from the Centre.

It is generally agreed that even if the Government obtains a majority at first it may very rapidly lose it if the franc falls heavily, or if the financial measures proposed are not at the same time drastic and acceptable.

FRANCS A PENNY EACH.

The franc fell to 240 to the £ in London yesterday, but later improved to 238½.

The fall of the franc in New York to 1.95½ cents, the lowest in its history, was considered to be responsible for the heavy sales of stock in Wall street yesterday, says Reuter.

MEXICAN BOYCOTT.

REPLY TO REGULATIONS AGAINST RELIGION.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

MEXICO CITY, Tuesday.

Following the enforcement by the Government of decrees against all forms of religion, the Catholics are retaliating with a boycott, which is intended to paralyse all business life.

The plan of the Roman Catholics to show their opposition to the new religious regulations, which come into effect on August 31st, is to cause an "intense economic crisis" throughout the nation.

The National League for the Defence of Religious Freedom has issued a circular calling upon Mexicans to—

Refrain from attending public and private amusements,
Avoid the use of vehicles,
Use a minimum of electricity,
Buy only the necessary commodities,
Refuse to send their children to public schools,

and to become propagandists for a general economic and social boycott of the supporters of the programme of the Government.

WHAT IS THE NATIONAL ANTHEM?

In Dail Eireann yesterday, Mr. O. Esmonde put the following question to the Minister for Defence—Whether he is aware that at two recent State functions Army bands have played two different tunes purporting to be the National Anthem, and that the prevalent uncertainty in this matter is often a cause of confusion and irritation, particularly in connection with international sporting events, and whether he will state what is the National Anthem, or, if the matter is not finally settled, what tune should be provisionally accepted as such, pending a final decision?

The Minister for Defence replied—I am not aware that at recent State functions Army bands have played two different tunes purporting to be the National Anthem.

Mr. Esmonde asked if the Minister would state, so far as the Army was concerned

LETTER DELIVERIES IN PORTADOWN.

COMPLAINTS OF DELAY.

At a meeting of the Portadown Chamber of Commerce on Monday evening a complaint was made regarding the irregularity of postal deliveries and the consequent inconvenience caused to manufacturers and merchants.

Mr. D. W. Thornton said that the English mails were not delivered till six o'clock in the evening, when they could not be dealt with that night. He suggested that a letter be sent from the Chamber asking the Postmaster to have the letters delivered earlier.

Mr. S. Lutton said that occasionally some of the English letters were delivered at about 12 noon.

The Chairman (Mr. W. M. Clow, J.P.) said that it was a question of when they arrived in Portadown. The English mail train had not brought the English letters regularly of late. Sometimes they came by the second Dublin train, and were delivered between 12 and 1 o'clock. The letters delivered at 6 o'clock were posted so late in England and Scotland that they could not catch the mail, and came by a different route.

Mr. J. Logan complained of the irregularity in the delivery of letters from the South of Ireland and some parts of the North. He recently received letters three days after they had been posted in Strabane. They contained orders for goods required for the show, and he had read the report of the show in the newspapers before he received the letters.

The Secretary (Mr. A. Lewis) said that the Urban Council recently agreed to a request that the local postmen be given a half-holiday on Thursdays, and now when a person wanted an urgent letter he had to go down to the Post Office and pay a fee of threepence to get it. Letters at the Post Office should be available for anybody who took the trouble to go for them.

The Chairman remarked that there was considerable uncertainty as to whether letters posted outside the General Post Office at 8.30 left Portadown that night, and it would be well to have an understanding about it.

Mr. J. Dawson, J.P., observed that it would be well if the Post Office could have opposition such as the railway companies were experiencing at present.

Messrs. Thornton and Logan were deputed to wait on the Postmaster.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL-BOYS' ESCAPE.

A TRAMP OF THIRTY MILES.

News of the escape of two boys from an industrial school was made known in Waterford yesterday.

Two months ago James Kelly, aged 10, Grady's lane, Waterford, and Michael Howlett, aged 10, Ballygunner, Waterford, were committed to St. Joseph's Industrial School, Clonmel. On Monday they escaped from the school and made their way to Waterford, where Howlett was recaptured. The other boy remains at large.

Howlett yesterday admitted that the escape had been planned by himself and Kelly for some time past. He says that he became acquainted with Kelly a few weeks ago, and they resolved to make their escape. Howlett arranged a system of signs. The idea was to wait until a favourable opportunity presented itself at the change of classes at about 3 p.m., when the customary vigilance of the teachers would be relaxed.

At 3 o'clock on Monday the general entrance door of the institution was left open for a few moments, and when classes were changing both boys slipped from the ranks and disappeared. Their absence was soon discovered, but by this time they had got well away.

Making a detour so as to avoid Clonmel town, they went towards the railway line, along which they walked for several miles. Next they cut across the country, through woods and heavy undergrowth, which tore their clothing and lacerated their faces and hands. Once they were obliged to swim a river. Night coming on, and being much exhausted, and not a little frightened, they lay down in an empty shed.

Resuming their journey at sunrise, they made their way as far as Mooncoin. They were now very hungry, not having had anything to eat since they escaped, and they obtained some breadcrumbs from a man who was on his way to Mooncoin.

A short distance outside Mooncoin they obtained a "lift" from a lorry driver, and reached Waterford, where they separated.

Howlett was handed by his brother to the Civic Guards, but Kelly has not been found.

The distance covered by the boys was thirty miles.

THE HOUSING OF EX-SERVICE MEN.

KINSALE COUNCIL'S ACTION.

The following resolution was passed at a recent meeting of the Kinsale Urban District Council:—

Proposed by Mr. J. H. Barry, Chairman, seconded by Mr. E. O'Neill, M.C.C., and resolved unanimously—"That we, the Kinsale Urban District Council, call upon the trustees charged with administering the Irish Land (Provision of Small Holdings) Act, 1919, to take notice of the delay in connection with the erection of the six cottages promised and sanctioned two years ago for Irish Ex-Service men of this district, and that we strongly bring home to the responsible the necessity of proceeding at once with their erection, not only on account of the fulfilment of the promises made to these Irishmen who fought in the Great War, but also on account of the crying need for houses in this town, and to relieve the distress from unemployment in the district.

"And further, that copies of this resolution be sent to Sir Bryan Mahon, Secretary of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Department, Irish Branch: Colonial Office, Dublin; Senator General Hickie, Sean Prior, T.D., and Captain Redmond, T.D."

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LAND BANK DEBATE.

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that also could not await the final report of the Commission.

Mr. Blythe said that he had not got the final report, but he had received several interim reports within the last few weeks. He knew a good deal about the National Land Bank himself, apart from what might be in any report, and he was quite satisfied that, whatever functions might have to be carried on, they could not economically transform the Land Bank into a different sort of institution.

With regard to the question of urgency, once the question of the continuance of the bank had been raised in any definite way it would be impossible to get customers to deposit money. The State had an asset of a certain value to sell, and delay would depreciate that, after the question of continuance had been raised. Whatever price they could get now, if they waited six months they would certainly get a less price. To leave the matter in doubt would cause disturbance and anxiety to customers.

AN ACCURATE FORECAST.

Mr. Johnson asked whether the statement made in *Irish Truth* about three weeks ago, outlining the policy now announced as a decision of the Ministry, had been communicated to that journal officially.

Mr. Blythe—It could not have been, because there was not a decision previously.

Mr. Johnson said that what the Minister had now told them was printed in *Irish Truth* a few weeks ago, and because of the Minister's attitude towards that journal it had been discounted. Now it turned out to be the truth.

Mr. Blythe—I did not see it.

Mr. Baxter remarked that when the Banking Commission's report was seen the step might have to be retraced.

Mr. Blythe—I am quite satisfied that whatever sort of institution might have to be set up, it would be as easy, or easier, to set it up from the foundations than to transform the National Land Bank into such an institution.

Mr. Johnson—Is the announcement of the Minister a decision? Has it been signed, sealed and delivered?

Mr. Blythe—It has not been signed, sealed and delivered; but we have intimated to the Bank of Ireland that we accept their offer.

Mr. White—How much is the Government making on the bargain?

Mr. Blythe—I will tell that after it is concluded.

Mr. White—How much is it losing?

Mr. Blythe—Nothing. (Laughter.)

It was decided to discuss the matter further before the adjournment.

POSTPONEMENT SUGGESTED.

Mr. Heffernan submitted a motion in the following terms:—"That the Dail is of opinion that the proposed transfer of the shares in the Land Bank now standing in the name of the Minister of Finance to the Bank of Ireland should not take place pending the final report of the Banking Commission."

"I feel, and we in this party feel," said Mr. Heffernan, "that we cannot let the Minister's statement pass without making a protest against the manner in which the matter has been brought before the House and against the manner in which the absorption of the National Land Bank by the Bank of Ireland is to take place."

He did not want to say, he continued, that the bargain made by the Minister was not the best possible one that could be made; but, even if it were the best possible bargain, he thought that, in all the circumstances, it would be a service to the State to have the transfer postponed until they had an opportunity of examining relevant facts and the various important questions which the Government's decision might be expected to involve. He believed that the status of the National Land Bank should not be taken as an individual matter, but rather in conjunction with other questions of banking, credit, etc., and, furthermore, that it should not be disposed of by the House until deputies had an opportunity of considering the findings of the Banking Commission.

He understood that the superannuation of the officials was to be two-thirds of the salary they had in the last year of their employment. He saw no reason whatever why the services of the employés of the National Land Bank should not be retained and absorbed by the Bank of Ireland. There would be a feeling of consternation among people who had got advances when they found that the bank had been taken over.

A DISADVANTAGE.

Mr. Baxter, who seconded the motion, said that deputies had been put in a rather difficult position in making a case against the Minister by the way in which the matter had been brought before them, without notice. Was that an indication that the policy of the Executive in the future was to leave to those banking institutions entirely, work of financing whatever concerns required accommodation, or new industries that might now or in the future want assistance by way of credit or otherwise? If that was the policy following on the action of the Executive Council, he certainly felt that the Dail should be given an opportunity of examining it in the full light of all the facts that were available.

He suggested that the House would be acting unwisely in approving the suggestion of the Executive Council. The wisdom of the action of the Minister could only be judged by the light of facts when they were available, and the final recommendations of the Banking Commission as to the duty of the State. He would like to know whether the money subscribed to the Republican loan, becoming repayable next year, had anything to do with the decision of the Minister. Had the outlook of the men who brought the National Land Bank into existence changed, and were they satisfied that the banking institutions were going to do in the future what the National Land Bank was set up to perform for the citizens of the State? Until they had evidence that the policy pointed in that direction they could not be satisfied that it was wise, and he felt, from the very few facts placed before them by the Minister, that they would not be justified in coming to any such conclusion. So far as they could see, they had not sufficient evidence to declare that the Minister had made a good bargain.

WHAT NEXT?

Mr. Johnson said that it seemed to him an extraordinary thing that the Bank of Ireland should have, according to the statement of the Minister, taken the first step in the negotiations for the sale of the National Land Bank. Had anything gone before that? What would be thought or said if a private banking company offered to buy the Post Office, or the Army, or the telephone service. The Land Bank was a State institution, and it was to be bought up by the Bank of Ireland. Perhaps that bank would like to buy the State itself, as, indeed, they had gone a long way towards doing.

Whatever might be the state of the country, the banks always paid large dividends, and they were in a position to control State action, passively if not actively. He asked if there was any guarantee against the Bank of Ireland being bought out by the Bank of England. He should not be surprised if within the next few years the banking institutions in this country were amalgamated, or, as happened to the banks in Northern Ireland, that they should become bound up with some of the English banks. If that were to happen, the banks would become the real governors of this island.

The National Land Bank had not grown to the extent that some of them would have liked, but it was the Government that was responsible largely for that failure. The Minister for Finance was on its board, and there was also a nominee of the Minister. They were given certain privileges and duties, which duties were not done. He wondered whether the bank would not be more effectual in assisting industry and agriculture if the State had given it real encouragement and help.

THE SECOND STEP.

He thought that the Banking Commission's inquiry should have been completed before the Government decided to cut adrift the national banking institution from the control of the State. Was the State taking only the first step, not knowing where the rest of the steps would lead? The Dail should have been informed before that day of the first steps that had been taken. The Government policy seemed to be a definite break from the policy that was outlined in the early stage of the National Land Bank—that was to say that they were abandoning for all time any thought that the State was to control banks or banking policy, and that the banks were to be left henceforward to work their will upon industry and agriculture. The House ought to know from the Minister whether the Government had come to any decision as to the privileges that were to be given to private banks, and particularly to the Bank of Ireland.

LEGALITY QUESTIONED.

Mr. O. Esmonde said that so far as he could see the method adopted by the Minister was illegal and unconstitutional. The Land Bank, so far as he could remember, was the property of the Dail, and not the property of the Minister for Finance. The bank was founded out of the proceeds of the first republican loan. He believed that he was the only private member in the House who had taken part in the campaign for the subscription of that loan in this country; and with the exception of the Minister for Local Government, he was the only member of the House who had taken part in the subscription of the loan in the United States. No person who was interested in the success of that loan ever thought that they were subscribing for the ultimate interests of the Bank of Ireland.

He inquired what was the position of the directors of the National Land Bank under the agreement. Were they to be incorporated in the Board of the Bank of Ireland? He asked also what was the particular position of the Bank of Ireland that gave it a right to make a private offer to the Government for the purchase of that undertaking, which was denied to other banking institutions. Other financial institutions, apparently, had not been informed that the Government was willing to sell the National Land Bank. A State perquisite ought to be sold to the highest bidder; and he wondered whether the future Public Accounts Committee would be able to stand over the secret sale of the bank to a private company without any attempt to find whether any better bid could be obtained.

ALLEGED SECRET COUNCIL.

Mr. Wilson, while not suggesting that the sale was not a good one, or that the assets were not well disposed of by the Minister, regretted the sale at this particular time, in view of the fact that the Banking Commission had not reported, and in view of the position of the country in connection with banks generally. The banks in the Free State, he said, were virtually one—they had some kind of secret council which automatically gave the same terms to its customers, and 60 or 70 per cent. of the banks' assets were invested in another country.

He had hoped that something would have evolved from the report of the Banking Commission, so that that State Bank might have been used to counter the monstrous charges which the combined banking trust was imposing on the citizens. No business was paying so well as the banks, while industry was supposed to be depressed and agriculture struggling, and nobody seemed to be making money except the gombeen banks.

He was concerned particularly with the case of the customers of the bank, many of them farmers and many creameries, holding, perhaps, too much money on overdrafts, owing too much money to the bank; and he was interested to know whether the Minister had made any attempt to safeguard the interests of those customers.

Mr. Norton said that the most amazing part of the business had been the formal way in which the Minister announced the proposed sale to the Dail, and asked them to agree to the transfer of the State's interest in the Land Bank without any opportunity of perusing the documentary conditions of sale, and without having the final report of the Banking Commission. They were asked to take a step in the dark. He had hoped that the National Land Bank would become an effective curb on the activities of the other banks, and he regretted the action of the Minister as a retrogressive step.

Mr. Nolan (Government Party) suggested that the State would be found to lose to the extent of £500,000 as a result of the Land Commission's taking over the foolish investments made by the Land Bank in other days. Referring to the officials of the Land Bank, Mr. Nolan said that he regretted to say that some of the officials had been anything but helpful to the State in the pre-truce days.

Mr. R. Mulcahy asked if the Minister proposed to introduce legislation, or if he thought that would be necessary, and further if, in view of the long adjournment of the Dail, he were in a position to state that the Banking Commission's report would be issued before November, and if he would say that no action would be taken on the report before it was submitted to the House.

MINISTER'S REPLY.

QUESTION OF INTERIM REPORT.

Mr. Blythe, in his reply, said that a great deal of emphasis had been laid on the fact that the interim report of the Banking Commission was not in the hands of deputies. It had been said that the Government was taking the present action because of the interim report. "That is not correct," he declared. "We are not taking action because there was a positive recommendation."

Action was being taken because there was no recommendations that the National Land Bank could fulfil any new functions or any functions that were not being fulfilled by the other banks. The continuance of the Land Bank was not indicated by a single suggestion of new functions that might be fulfilled by it.

"Although we have not got the final report of the Banking Commission, I think that the ground has been all covered, and that the final report will be in the nature of a *resumé* of the things contained in the interim reports. There will not, I think, be anything in any report to make us hesitate to conclude the bargain that it is now possible for us to conclude."

The Government, he continued, certainly did not desire a big State Bank organisation on the lines of the National Land Bank. He had no hesitation in saying that whatever might be the circumstances in other countries, a State Bank on the lines of the National Land Bank could not be successfully carried on. People who did not get the accommodation that they thought they should get from the Land Bank were continually coming to Ministers and attempting to exercise political pressure. If the institution were a bigger one he did not know that the position would be any better. As a matter of fact, the recommendation of the League of Nations Committee on Central Banks had been to the effect that they should not be subject to political control.

If the National Land Bank were going to be a State Bank it would be necessary for the Government to dispose of the kind of control it had at present. Banking was not a business that could be conducted by people who had political responsibility. Deputy Johnson had suggested that the tendency of banks to amalgamate would result in banks being swallowed up by institutions outside the country. He did not agree. As a matter of fact one bank outside the Free State made it its business to set about disposing of all its branches in the Free State.

HELP FOR INDUSTRY.

"There is no intention of cutting ourselves off from any idea of helping industry, or concerning ourselves with credit. I believe that before very long, as a result of the Banking Commission, we will be able to make proposals to the Dail both for agriculture and long credit and credit for industry."

The Government did not gain anything by keeping the National Land Bank, which was not able to do anything for credit, because it could not get the resources. Very little public money came into the Land Bank, and at one stage the bank hardly could have carried on but that the funds of the White Cross came along. Since then every effort, where possible, had been made to transfer Government moneys to the Land Bank, and it was always difficult to have the money available when it was wanted. The Land Bank did nothing in the way of reducing rates of interest. It was a small bank that had to carry on in the same manner as the other banks. It had, no doubt, the germ of growth in it. Also it did something to prevent a national struggle from developing into a land war.

The interests of customers were protected as well as the interests of the staff. It was hoped to continue the present directors in office for another year towards securing that end, and thereafter the engagements entered into with customers would be continued, and they (customers) would have the accommodation from the Bank of Ireland that they had from the Land Bank in the past, and they would not be subjected to any pressure that they would not have been subjected to if the change had not taken place.

The Government's liabilities were limited to £15,000, and he did not think that they would amount to that. With regard to the question of introducing legislation, there was power under the Dail Eireann Loans and Funds Act to dispose of the Government's shares in the Land Bank so that legislation would not be necessary as the result of the transfer.

COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

The report of the Banking Commission would certainly be submitted to the Dail, and no action on the report would be possible before the Dail reassembled. So far as he had looked through the interim reports, it seemed to him that in all cases legislation would be necessary to give effect to them. As to the suggestion that in proportion to the price to be received for it the Land Bank was a valuable asset, that was nonsense.

THE DIVISION.

Deputy Heffernan was about to wind up the debate and other deputies seemed to be desirous of obtaining further information from the Minister, when Mr. Blythe moved "That the question be now put." This was challenged by the Farmers' Party.

On a division the motion was passed by 82 votes to 18.

The main question was then put—that the proposed sale and transfer of the shares should not be proceeded with pending the publication of the report of the Banking Commission, and this was lost, the voting being 18 for and 32 against.

The voting for this latter motion was:—

For—Messrs. Baxter, Butler, John Conlan, Esmonde, J. Cosgrave, Johnson, Clancy, Wilson, Nagle, Norton, T. J. O'Connell, Donovan, M. Doyle, Heffernan, Morrissey, P. Hogan (Clare), P. Hogan (Limerick), and Wall—18.

Against—Alton, Blythe, Wolfe, Bulfin, Burke, Cole, Cooper, Mrs. O'Driscoll, Hewat, McCurtin, McFadden, McGilligan, Nicholls, Sears, McGoldrick, Myles, Nally, Nolan, Noonan, P. Hughes, A. Byrne, Broderick, O'Connor, P. S. Doyle, Duffy, Duggan, Lavin, Mulcahy, J. Murphy, O'Sullivan, Prior, Thrift.

The Dail adjourned at 10.47 until 3 o'clock to-day.

ARSON CHARGE.

STORY OF MAN WHO SMOKED WHILE HOUSE BURNED.

In the Central Criminal Court yesterday, The trial was begun yesterday of Patrick Daly, who is charged with having on the 17th December, 1925, set fire to his dwelling-house and farm building at Knockannish, Spa, near Tralee, Co. Kerry, with intent to defraud.

Opening the case, Mr. Carrigan said that an award of over £1,000 compensation in respect of the burning was made by the Circuit Court Judge for Kerry in January of this year, but a prosecution was instituted shortly afterwards. The house was purchased about 20 years ago by Father Foley (brother of prisoner's wife), who was ministering in Scotland. His idea was to rehabilitate certain members of his family, but those who took possession were evicted in 1911. Under a sort of Kerry treaty the prisoner and his wife in some strange vague way bought the place. When the Civic Guard went to the fire they found the accused man smoking his pipe and looking on at the destruction of his property. He did not lift a hand for the couple of hours the guards were present.

COMPENSATION AWARD.

He claimed £2,500 compensation, and the judge awarded £1,053 10s. The award was made on a Saturday, but on the following Monday the judge directed that an appeal be lodged against his decree.

Detective Sergeant Patrick Kirwan, Kerry, said that when he arrived at the fire he saw the accused standing in the lawn with his hands folded.

Chief Superintendent Clinton, Civic Guard, Kerry, gave evidence that the accused admitted that he had the place insured for over £4,000 since about a month before the fire. A number of decrees had been granted against the accused, and three days before the fire the Sheriff had visited the place.

Mr. O'Donnell asked for a direction for an acquittal, saying that there was no evidence against the accused. Father Foley, who was the sole owner, was a joint applicant with the accused for compensation.

The further hearing was adjourned till to-day.

PASSENGERS PER B. AND I. STEAMER, VIA LIVERPOOL.

ARRIVALS—Lord Rathdonnell, Sir Valentine Grace, T. Scally, R. Kennedy, T. Lamb, J. Cuthbert, R. Dale, J. Stewart, the Rev. J. C. Foley, Sister Vincent, Miss Vickery, Miss Cammings, Mr. and Mrs. O'Dowd, Miss M. A. Kelly, S. Lee, T. Keating, Miss O'Doherty.

DEPARTURES—J. Woods, Mrs. Macnie, J. Ellis, T. McCartney, R. Brook, T. Glanville, the Rev. D. O'Flynn, Miss Watts, Miss Fry, J. Gahan, Miss Kenny, Miss Long, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard, J. Telford, Mr. and Mrs. Hegarty, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Royle, Miss L. Conyngham, Miss M. L. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey, Mr. and Mrs. Knowles.

The Prince of Wales spent a busy day in Hertfordshire yesterday, motoring in turn to Hertford, Hemel Hempstead, Watford and Bushey. He carried out about a dozen engagements, inspecting guards of honour, schools, hospitals and a Masonic Hall, laying a foundation stone, chatting with ex-Service workers, and shaking hands with hundreds of people. During the day he was presented with a bouquet by young ladies from Buenos Aires and Valparaiso.

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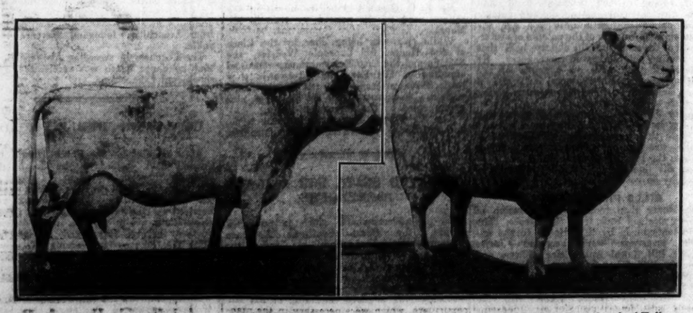

Mr. R. Waldie's, Tubberdaly, 1st Prize Dairy Cow at Tullamore. Mr. J. Keane's 1st Prize Roscommon Ram Lamb at Tullamore.

U.S. MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSED HEAVY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Tuesday.

Stocks opened irregular, and became weak under heavy selling for both accounts. Money remained easy, and in the absence of adverse domestic news, traders were inclined to attribute the reaction to uneasiness over the French situation. Francs reached a new low level, and bankers reported heavy buying of American securities lately for French account. General Motors were under pressure, due to rumours that its leading supporter had switched operations to Hudson Motors, which gained 4 points. The reactionary tendency increased in the early afternoon, when trading broadened, and Motors, Rails, Industrials, Oils and specialities became acutely weak, the losses ranging from 1 to 10 points. Covering brought partial rallies in the last hour, but the undertone remained unsettled, and the market closed heavy. Government Bonds easy; Railroad Bonds easy. The day's sales totalled 2,010,000 shares. Money on call closed easy at 4 per cent. bid and 4½ per cent. asked. All business was done at 4 per cent. Sterling exchange irregular; silver ¾c. lower at 64¼c.

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Exchange on Lon 60 days sight	4.83½	4.87
Do. Demand Bills	4.86	4.88
Cable Transfers	4.86½	4.88½
Do. Montreal	4.85¼	4.85⅞
Exchange Paris, cable	1.96	2.15¼

Parity.	Stocks.	Closing Bid Prices. Tues	Mon	Business Done.
105⅛	U.S. Funded	102¾	102¾	
103	Atchison, Topeka, Santa Fe	136⅛	136⅞	
101½	Do. Pref.	98⅝	99⅛	
98⅛	Baltimore and Ohio	96	95¾	
107⅜	Canadian Pacific	163	161⅝	
11⅛	Chicago, Milwaukee, & St. Paul	11	10⅞	
71⅛	Chicago and North-West	70	70½	
36⅛	Erie Shares	35⅝	35⅝	
45⅝	Erie 1st Preferred	44⅝	44⅝	
174⅛	Illinois Central	121⅝	121⅜	
135⅝	Louisville and Nashville	131½	131	
38	Missouri, Kansas, and Texas	37	37	
99⅛	Missouri Pacific New	38⅛	39	
134⅝	New York Cntrl & Hudson R.	130½	131¾	
157⅛	Norfolk and West. Com.	151	151	
74⅛	Northern Pacific Com.	71⅝	72⅝	
53⅞	Pennsylvania Shares	52	54⅜	
98⅛	Reading Shares	90	96⅝	
41⅜	Do. Pref.	40½	40⅝	
123⅜	Southern Railway	116⅝	117	
108⅝	Southern Pacific	103⅝	105⅝	
197⅜	Union Pacific	182½	183	
81⅛	Do. Pref.	79½	79	
132⅜	American Smelt. and Refining	130¾	130¾	
51⅝	Anaconda Copper	49⅜	49⅞	
22⅞	Brit.-American Tobacco Coupon.	22¾	22⅝	
104⅞	New York Consolidated Gas	102	102⅜	
38⅛	General Electric	350	360	
160⅛	National Lead	158½	161	
145⅛	United States Steel Common	142	144½	
122⅝	Do. Pref.	119	121⅝	
48	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	44¾	48⅜	
171⅝	General Motors (New)	166⅝	168¼	
7⅛	Inter. Mer. Marine Com. Certs.	7	7¼	
33⅛	Do. Pref. Certs.	32	32	
42⅜	Shell Ordinary	41½	41⅞	
69⅞	Pan-American Petroleum "B"	67¾	69⅛	
18	Anglo-American Oil	17⅝	17⅝	
28⅜	Shell Union Oil Corp.	28	27⅞	
60⅛	U.S. Rubber	58½	59	
58⅜	American Can. (New Stock)	57½	58⅝	
33⅝	International Pet. of Canada	32½	32⅞	
—	Silver Commercial Bars	64¾	64⅝	
	BONDS.			
95⅛	Atch. Top. New 4% Gen. Mort.	92½	92½	
74	Erie Rail. Gen. 4. 42 Lien Bonds	72	72⅜	
98⅛	Union Pacific 4% Bonds	94⅝	94	
103⅜	U.S. Steel 2nd Mort. 5% Bonds	103⅝	103⅝	
117	U.K. 5½ per cent. Bonds, 1929	118⅝	118⅝	
107⅜	Do. Do. 1937	107	107⅛	
108⅛	7 per cent. German Loan	105⅞	105⅞	

* Asked; † Ex div.; ‡ Ex interest; ‖ Ex rights.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT easy, 1¼c. to 4½c. down.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	161¾	163⅝
No. 2 Red Winter, spot, new	158⅜	160⅝
No. 2 Mixed Durum, spot	161⅞	165⅛
No. 1 Northern Manitoba, spot	178	181¾

RYE easy and 1¼c. down. No. 2 spot, 119.

BARLEY steady and unchanged. American malting, 77.

MAIZE firm and 1¼c. up.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Western No. 2 mixed spot	98⅛	97¼

LARD barely steady and 20 points lower. Prime Western steam, 16.30; Middle West, 16.10 to 16.20.

FLOUR steady, 25 points down to unchanged. Spring clears, 100 per cent., 7.75 to 8.75.

PETROLEUM steady.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Standard White in cases	18.90	18.90
Standard White in barrels	15.50	15.50
Do. Philadelphia	15.50	15.50
Mid-Continent Crude	33-33.9	33-33.9
Pennsylvania Crude	2.85-3.40	2.85-3.40

COFFEE opened easy, 4 to 21 points lower. The market closed easy, 15 to 36 points down. Spot steady and unchanged for Rio No. 7, and 1c. up for Santos No. 4. Rio No. 7 spot, 20; Santos, No. 4 spot, 32½.

Options—	July	Sept.	Dec.	Jan.	Mar.	May
To-day	18.53	17.65	16.90	16.50	16.20	15.82
Prev. day	July, 1927—15.62					
	18.79	17.93	17.10	16.80	16.56	16.15

SUGAR easy, 2 to 4 points down. Centrifugal Cuban spot, steady, 3 points up; 96 test centrifugal Cuban, 4.14. Approximate day's sales—35,000 tons.

Options—	July	Sept.	Dec.	Jan.	Mar.	May
To-day	2.33	2.40	2.58	2.62	2.64	2.73
Prev. day	2.35	2.43	2.62	2.65	2.67	2.76

BURLAPS quiet. Hessian cloth, light-weight, 7.05; heavy-weight, 8.85.

RUBBER quiet, but steady. First latex crepe, spot buyers 40½; smoked ribbed sheets, spot buyers 40¾, sellers 41½; August-September, 41½ buyers; October-November-December, 42½ buyers, 42¾ sellers.

METALS—Tin steady, 12½ to 25 points up. Spot, 65.75; future option, 63.37½. Tin Plates, 5.50. Lead steady and unchanged, 8.50. Zinc steady and unaltered. East St. Louis spot, 7.50. Iron steady and without alteration. No. 2 American Northern Foundry, 19.00 to 20.50. Electrolytic Copper steady and unchanged.

WINNIPEG GRAINS.

WHEAT opened easy, ½c. to 4c. lower, and closed barely steady, 3½c. to 2⅝c. down. Opening options—July, 162; October, 146; December, 143¼. Closing options—July, 159; October, 143½; December, 141½. Rye easy, 2c. to 1¼c. down. Closing options—July, 105; October, 107½. Oats steady, ¼c. to ½c. lower. Closing options—July, 58½; October, 47¼. Barley steady and ¼c. down. Closing options—July, 64½; October, 63¾. Flaxseed barely steady, 2c. to 2¾c. lower. Closing options—July, 209½; October, 214.

Wheat receipts (carlots)	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 1 Northern	29	24
No. 2 Northern	55	31
No. 3 Northern	42	22
No. 4 Northern	11	4
Other grades	90	47
Total	246	133

NEW YORK COTTON.

COTTON opened steady, but 6 to 8 points down, early recessions being due to disappointing cable advices, selling by foreign interests, favourable official weather reports and liquidation. The market rallied, however, and the closing was steady, 3 to 5 points up. Spot steady, 10 points dearer.

The Gosho Company estimate the crop condition at 75.0 per cent. Eureka's bureau estimate the condition at 71.8 per cent. and the crop 14,900,000 bales.

Spot, middling upland at New York, 18.50.

Spot, middling upland at New Orleans, 18.13.

Receipts—Atlantic ports, 2,000 bales; Gulf, 4,000; interior towns, 2,000. Exports—Continent, 3,000; Japan, 2,000.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Tuesday.

WHEAT opened easy, ½c. to ¾c. lower. General liquidation took place due to advices of rains in North Dakota and Canada, predictions of lower temperatures in the spring wheat belt, heavy primary receipts and the higher average of the acreage yield in the South-West. The market closed easy, 2¾c. to 2¾c. down. Spot easy.

	To-day	Prev. day.
No. 2 Hard Winter spot	135¾	—
No. 3 Hard Winter spot	—	—

Futures—Opening options—	July	Sept.	Dec.
To-day	145½	148½	149⅞
Prev. day	144⅞	144⅞	148⅛
Futures—Closing options—	July	Sept.	Dec.
To-day	142½	143⅝	147¼
Prev. day	148¾	146	149¼

MAIZE commenced steady, ½c. to ¾c. up, closing with values ½c. to 1¼c. up.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Spot No. 2 mixed	85	83¾

Futures—Opening options—	July	Sept.	Dec.
To-day	—	85½	87¼
Prev. day	—	83¼	84⅝
Futures—Closing options—	July	Sept.	Dec.
To-day	81	86½	88
Prev. day	85½	85¼	86¾

OATS easy, ½c. to ¾c. down.

Futures—Closing options—	July	Sept.	Dec.
To-day	42½	42¾	45¼
Prev. day	40¾	43	45¾

RYE easy, ½c. to 2c. down. No. 2 spot unquoted.

Futures—Closing options—	July	Sept.	Dec.
To-day	106¼	108	112⅜
Prev. day	107	108⅞	114⅛

PROVISIONS at the opening ruled barely steady, and prices declined owing to the increased stocks, a slow cash inquiry and liquidation. Stop loss orders were uncovered, and the easiness of hogs with lard futures 27½ to 7½ points and spot 25¼ points lower. Ribs are 10 to 45 points down. Lard—Spot, 15.55.

Lard—Closing options—	Sept.	Oct.	Jan.
To-day	15.70	15.70	14.27½
Prev. day	15.85	15.97½	14.35
Ribs—Closing options—	July	Sept.	Oct.
To-day	16.75	16.15	—
Prev. day	16.85	16.60	—

BACON barely steady at 25 points reduction. Short ribbed sides (60lbs. average), 16.75.

HOGS easy, 15 to 10 points lower. Light hogs, 13.60 to 14.40; heavy hogs, 12.60 to 13.65.

Receipts—	To-day	Same day last year
Western Cities	94,000	71,000
Chicago	21,000	19,000

NATIONAL BANK CLERKSHIPS.
Exam. announced for 2nd December. Successes last two examinations: March, 1926—16 of 26 vacancies; Oct., 1925—13 of 18 vacancies. Special Oral and Correspondence Classes resume work on 3rd August.—SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

THE LATE MARQUESS CONYNGHAM'S WILL.

ENGLISH VERSUS IRISH COURTS.

In the Chancery Division, London, yesterday, Mr. Justice Astbury heard a motion brought by the Earl of Mount Charles (son of the present Marquess Conyngham), an infant appearing by his next friend, for an injunction restraining Mr. Herbert Seawen Blunt, one of the trustees of the will of the late Marquess, from taking action in the Irish Free State Courts for the determination of certain questions which were to be tried in a pending action before the English Courts, and from seeking any relief there in respect of the administration of the testator's estates.

Mr. Monghan, K.C., who represented the plaintiff, said that the late Marquess, whose will was dated April 11, 1915, and who died on November 8, 1918, was domiciled in Ireland. The plaintiff was born on March 13, 1921, and became tenant in tail of the English and Irish estates, in possession. The losses ranging from 1 to 10 points. Covering property included Slane Castle, County Meath, but the will provided that the undertone remained unsettled, and the Dowager Marchioness should have the market closed heavy. Government Bonds use and occupation of the Castle for easy; Railroad Bonds easy. The day's sales life. After the plaintiff's birth inquiries were totalled 2,010,000 shares. Money on call made as to what income there was for him, closed easy at 4 per cent. bid and 4½ per cent. with the result that the present action was asked. All business was done at 4 per cent. started. An application was then made by Sterling exchange irregular; silver ¾c. lower the defence to dismiss the action, on the at 64¼c. ground that it would be more convenient to have the questions raised determined in the Free State Courts, but it was held that there was no question that could not be determined here. Some £90,000 worth of the Irish estates had been sold, and only a small revenue was left, there being some difficulty, apparently, in collecting the rents. Mr. Blunt had gone to Ireland to resuscitate an extinct action, and there applied for leave to take proceedings, so as to raise questions that were to be dealt with here. Counsel submitted that it was not right for him to steal a march on the English Courts, in the hope that the Irish Courts would decide something beforehand.

His lordship said that it appeared to him that what Mr. Blunt had done was in breach of what had been done here, and to which he was a party.

Mr. Luxemoore, K.C., for Mr. Blunt, submitted that Mr. Blunt was entitled to go to the Irish

Colonel Howard, who judged the Harness Classes at the Banbridge Show.

"Surf-Riding" in the Thames near Hampton Court.

AN ENCOUNTER IN ROTTEN ROW.—Simon and John Warrender, the sons of Sir Victor and Lady Warrender, meeting a friend in Hyde Park.

Mr. W. A. Cumming, of Inverness, judging the Sheep at the Banbridge Farming Society Show.

Mr. James Hewitt, one of the survivors of the Light Brigade, who died at Portrush, aged 94.

Lady Nutting, Mrs. F. B. Homan Mulock, Mr. G. S. McCann, Mr. F. B. Homan Mulock, Mr. B. G. Clibborn, and Master Clibborn, at the Tullamore Show.

Major-General F. Cronin's Bobby taking the Stone Wall at the Tullamore Show.

NEW PATENTS BILL.

(Continued from Page 7, Column 4.)

Tariff Commission shall have power to inquire into applications for the abolition of any particular tariff or tariffs.

The Dail accepted the alteration.

Several amendments to the Betting Bill added by the Senate were accepted. One, which was inserted on the proposal of the Minister for Finance, limits the operation of the Act to two years.

Mr. Blythe said that with the experience gained during two years they could, if necessary, consider fresh proposals.

MARRIED MEN FIRST.

Mr. W. Norton moved that the condition that preference must be given to ex-National Army men which is attached to State grants for road and relief schemes should be discontinued forthwith, so as to allow local authorities to give a preference to unemployed men with dependents, whether or not they have served in the National Army.

He explained that he had no hostility to ex-Service men, but he thought that men with dependents who had not served in the Army ought to get the preference before men who had no dependents.

Mr. Burke, Minister for Local Government, said that the rule as to first preference to ex-Army men was gradually being relaxed, and that non-Service men were being employed wherever it was possible.

Mr. Johnson seconded the motion, and said that he had no objection to preference being given to ex-National Army men who had wives and children depending on them, but he urged that second preference should be given to non-Service men with families over ex-Service men who had no dependents.

After some remarks by Mr. McGilligan, the motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

RULES OF COURT.

RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL MOVED.

The Minister for Justice moved a resolution approving the Rules of Court made for the High Court and Supreme Court. He said that new rules had been provided containing detailed proposals for uniformity of practice on all matters, and for expediting proceedings and avoiding unnecessary delays. They were to be taken with the provisions of the Courts Officers Act, particularly as to the constitution of a Central Office. They laid down times within which various matters were to be done, and if any party was anxious for an expeditious hearing there was no reason why his case should not be ripe for hearing within one month. Within twenty-one days (instead of within a year) an unsuccessful litigant had to decide whether or not he would appeal against the decision of the Court.

The question of appeals from the Circuit Court was dealt with under Order No. 24. Some inconvenience had been caused by the large number of appeals awaiting hearing—they now numbered about a thousand—and it was hoped that the delegation of certain duties to the Master of the Central Office would ease the situation and allow quicker progress to be made. The shortening of the long vacation would give sixteen additional working days. The scale of fees allowed to solicitors was as nearly as possible the scale in force prior to the rules—the charges fixed in 1905, with an additional 50 per cent.

Mr. P. O'Maille, alluding to the provision for service of notices and summonses in the Gaeltacht, said that the Gaeltacht had not yet been defined, and an Act for that purpose would be necessary.

LITIGATION NO CHEAPER.

Mr. Johnson complained that the rules did not fulfil the hope that had been entertained widely that the new Courts system would reduce the cost of litigation. Except with respect to time and the avoidance of delay there was no change in procedure, and it was the procedure that necessitated the great cost on litigants. He understood that the methods they were now asked to confirm, of making applications to the Court on every successive motion and stage of a case, had been, in effect, disused, if not, in fact, abolished in Great Britain for some years past.

On points of detail, he mentioned that, as he understood, Free State citizens suing in England were required to give security for costs, but that English firms and persons suing in the Free State Courts were not required to give security. It should be the rule, he urged, that execution should be stayed as a matter of course when an appeal was entered from a decision of the Circuit Court; and it ought not to have to be the subject of a special application for a stay.

Mr. Hewat expressed the hope that the Dail would have an opportunity to review the rules after they had been in operation for a time.

The Speaker said that the Minister for Justice was responsible for the rules, and a motion with regard to them could be made. The Dail could not itself make an amendment. but an amendment could be advocated, and the Minister could begin the process of amending if it seemed good to him and appeared to be the will of the Dail.

Mr. Hewat—We should be able to ventilate any grievance felt under the Rules.

The Speaker—It will be possible to do that.

Mr. T. J. O'Connell said that it had been stated that the Rules of the High Court discriminated against the use of the national language. It certainly did seem that the consideration given to Irish speakers was only given to those in the area known as the Gaeltacht, while those outside that area were given no rights in the matter.

SUFFICIENT INTERPRETERS.

Mr. O'Higgins, replying, said that there would always be a sufficient number of interpreters attached to the courts to do the work required. As to the rules governing the use of the national language in the Gaeltacht and the rest of the Saorstat, the underlying idea was the same in each case. Rule 2 referred to the Gaeltacht, and the position outside that area was governed by Rule 3. The underlying idea he would emphasise was the same. It was simply recognised that defendant might have no knowledge of Irish whatever, but if plaintiff wished to start his proceeding in Irish he must be allowed to do so. In the defendant's interests he might provide an English translation, but if he did not defendant would be supplied with an English translation, which translation would be made in the central office.

"Underlying the difference between the two rules there is realism," Mr. O'Higgins declared, "and an appreciation of the difficulties of the position existing at the moment. We have to face the fact that English is widely known and generally spoken in the Saorstat, and even in the Gaeltacht will be found men who know no Irish whatsoever. Take the other position. It is difficult to imagine persons outside the Gaeltacht knowing no English whatsoever. The point is that no practising lawyer in the whole of the Saorstat is in the position that he knows Irish perfectly while he knows no English at all. We have to take the practising barrister as an important—almost a fundamental—factor of the position

"ILLUSORY."

"It is simply illusory to pretend that we can carry on all the work of the court in Irish, even in the Gaeltacht. I put the dilemma like this. It is possible to carry on business in the courts everywhere in English. The justice knows it, the practising lawyer and the clerk, and if the witness does not his lawyer or someone else in the court will certainly know sufficient to act as interpreter.

"We are dealing now with the High Court, and it is admitted straight that there is no absolute equality between the position of Irish in the Gaeltacht and in the rest of the State. These rules are the rules recommended by the committee, and they are put forward in a spirit of friendliness and helpfulness towards the national language. I have no patience whatever with the people who profess to believe that they were framed in a spirit of hostility to or contempt for the national language. The absence of equality arises from recognition of the facts of the position. The rules are not intended as propaganda; they are intended for the administrative convenience of litigants and their professional representatives.

"In the position now as we know it there is no question of any slight on the national language."

AN IMPOSSIBLE TASK.

Dealing with the criticisms of Mr. Johnson, the Minister said that the deputy had complained that the hope had been held out that law would be cheapened and that that hope was not fulfilled. The deputy had talked as of a cumbersome procedure drawn up by trade unionists for prospective litigants. He had not come down to bare facts or pointed to the shortcomings seen by his technical advisers.

"It was not found possible," declared the Minister, "simply to create the millennium and cheap law for the multitude."

"Will that be the millennium?" asked Mr. Johnson, amid laughter.

Continuing, Mr. O'Higgins said that counsel had to get their fees and the State the costs of administration.

With regard to Deputy Johnson's point as to security in non-resident defendant cases, Mr. O'Higgins said that there seemed to be no need for alteration in the rules in that respect, as the procedure was the same in English and Irish Courts.

One or two members were understood to express disagreement, and Mr. Johnson asked whether, if it were found that the procedure was not the same, the Minister would undertake to bring in a new rule.

Mr. O'Higgins replied that he would not give that undertaking, but he would inquire into the advisability of bringing in a new rule.

The motion that the rules for the High Court be approved was then put and declared carried. A division was not challenged.

CIRCUIT COURT.

The Minister for Justice moved the approval of the Rules of the Circuit Court, and said it was expedient that they should come into operation on the 1st October, 1926. He referred to the very wide jurisdiction conferred on the Circuit Court by the Courts of Justice Act, and said that it was necessary in considering this court and this jurisdiction to clear ones mnd completely of any fancy analogy between that court and the old County Court, with its very limited jurisdiction.

Under Section 48 of the Courts of Justice Act cases involving a considerable amount of money could be determined by the Circuit Court—up to £300. The Committee, he took it, were influenced by the fact that for all practical purposes this court, in the vast majority of cases, must be deemed to be the final court. The appeal on the stenographer's note from the Circuit Court to the High Court was becoming more and more to be recognised by practitioners, both solicitors and barristers as an appeal on a matter of law, and he thought that it was true to say that the judges of the High Court had made it clear that where the basis of an appeal was a conflict of evidence or a matter of fact the High Court was not prepared to reconsider the decision of the Circuit Court.

As the amount involved in many cases would be considerable, and as the right of appeal must be taken on the stenographer's note of the evidence before the Circuit Court it was necessary to provide machinery, by which the net issue between the parties would be before the court, by which neither party would be taken by surprise as to hearing, to insure that many matters, such as pleadings, discovery of documents, and applications for particulars, which were necessary in the practical procedure of these Circuit Courts, should be available. It was, therefore, of very real and vital interest to a litigant to have all the facts explained to the Circuit Court.

SIMPLE PROCEDURE.

Having dealt with the procedure described in the sections, he said that the procedure, they considered, was as simple as it could be made. On the question of costs, he said that the Committee had not drawn up a detailed scale of costs for the Circuit Court, but it was proposed that the High Court costs, less one-third, would be applicable. This rule would not meet with his approval as a permanent proposal with regard to costs in the Circuit Court, but as a temporary expedient to bridge over the time when proposals as to costs could be put forward he considered it sufficiently good. The reduction of one-third on the High Court costs did not represent entirely the relief to litigants. Considerable relief was involved in the question of witnesses' expenses, which would be very much less by reason of the local venue. It was hoped that a detailed scale of costs would be prepared by the Committee at as early a date as possible, and when prepared it would be brought before the Dail.

They had considerable difficulty in forming a just estimate of the value of pleadings in the Circuit Court, and men of experience had put before them different points of view on the subject. He himself was of opinion that the issue in actions for over £50 should be clearly knit, and that parties should know what case they had to meet before coming into court. The Circuit Court was now practically the final court, when there would be no appeal on matters of fact, and any appeal that might be taken would be based on the stenographer's notes, and confined to points of law. The proposal was that pleadings be dispensed with in such cases, from £50 down, and that they be made necessary in cases from £50 to £300, which was to be the limit of jurisdiction in the Circuit Court.

REJECTION MOVED.

Mr. Thomas Johnson moved an amendment which asked the Dail to refuse to approve of the Rules of the Circuit Court, because the rule-making authority had not formulated rules which would enable all cases to be brought to trial in the simple form that at present existed, without the necessity for "pleadings," and the heavy charges upon litigants which the system of "pleadings" would involve.

What, he asked, were the faults to be found with the existing procedure? Probably not more than 25 per cent. of the cases that were tried were cases that would require pleadings, and it was undesirable to impose an obligation for pleadings on the other 75 per cent. He thought that the figure £50 should be raised to £100, as the limit for which no pleadings would be required

Mr. Baxter seconded the amendment.

At 9 o'clock, according to arrangement, the debate was adjourned.

BRITISH LETTERS PATENT.

APPEAL LODGED AGAINST JUDGMENT.

In the Supreme Court, Dublin, yesterday the recent judgment of Mr. Justice Meredith, in which he decided that patent rights granted in Great Britain to a British firm of manufacturers, did not extend to the Irish Free State, was mentioned by Mr. Marnan, who (instructed by Messrs. Findlater and Co.) had appeared for the plaintiffs in the case, in order to have a date fixed for the hearing of an appeal.

The proceedings had been brought by the British Thomson-Houston Company, Ltd., of London, against Messrs. Litton and Co., a Dublin firm, to restrain the defendants, pending the trial of the action, from alleged infringements of their patents in the manufacture and sale of electric lamps and filaments. Mr. Justice Meredith dismissed the application for an interlocutory injunction, holding that the plaintiffs had now no rights under their patents in the Irish Free State. The decision has been the subject of widespread discussion, and the plaintiffs have lodged an appeal.

The Chief Justice said that, in view of the number of appeals that were awaiting hearing, it would be impossible to undertake to give this case a hearing during the present sittings. The rights of the parties had not been determined by the refusal of the interlocutory injunction by Mr. Justice Meredith, and people would act at their own risk in the matter, if they acted at all.

CLARE SILVER MINES.

NEW COMPANY REGISTERED.

A public company has been registered with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies in Dublin for the development of the Ballybickey lead and silver mines in the County Clare. The nominal capital is £30,000, divided into 25,000 preferred shares of £1 each and 20,000 ordinary shares of 5s. each.

The following are the signatures on the memorandum of association:—

Fordham, William Herbert, Odsey, Ashwell, Herts, geologist; Hickman, Francis Killiam Gore, Ennis, Co. Clare, solicitor; Singleton, Charles Copley, 52 Queen Victoria street, London, solicitor; Orpen, Charles St. George, Lisheens, Carrickmines, Co. Dublin, solicitor; Dyas, Joseph William, The Priory, Monkstown, Co. Dublin, solicitor; Darley, Fred. D., Ferney, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin, solicitor; Orr, Alexander D., 25 Clyde road, Dublin, solicitor.

Mr. Alan Cobham has arrived at Bhawalpur from Karachi, and is expected to reach Delhi to-day, says a Reuter Simla message.

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A PROMISING OUTLOOK.

SOME POINTERS FOR LIVERPOOL.

GAY BIRD UNRELIABLE.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LIVERPOOL, Tuesday Night.

Everything is promising for the opening of the summer meeting here to-morrow afternoon. The clerk of the course sets great store by the new methods of irrigating the course, which has been installed, and is confident that no matter what sort of drought may be experienced the Aintree course will always in future afford good going.

It was stated this morning that Solario would be among the runners for the Atlantic Cup on Friday. This is very improbable, as Sir John Rutherford some time ago made up his mind that he would not run anywhere again except at one or other of the Newmarket meetings in the autumn. Colorado has been stuck out of all engagements at the meeting, but Lord Derby has sent both Caissot and Glen Rosa, who are engaged in the St. George Stakes. The latter filly, who has never won a race, claims all the allowances, and I prefer her chance to that of the colt, who might not be good enough to concede 6lb. successfully to Review Order.

Booklet runs for the Manton stable, instead of Lancegaye, and he also claims the allowances, but on none of his performances in public this season can a good chance be given to him. I think the issue rests between Review Order and GLEN ROSA, and that the 19lb. advantage in favour of the filly may enable her to win.

The Molyneux Cup is the most open, as it is the most interesting, event of the afternoon. Scherzo is not likely to run, and this removes a very formidable candidate. Mr. Lambton has sent both Golden Fairy and Herbalist. The former on some of her running has a good chance, but it is said that she has not done well lately, and Herbalist's second to Maralga at Sandown is hardly good enough to make the brother to Phalaros a winner here.

Inca runs here instead of waiting for the Cup on Friday, in which Taylor's only runner will be Sparus, but I do not care for her chance. Monk's Way comes from a stable in great form—Fred Darling's—and it has to be said for him that his second at Ascot to Highborn was a meritorious performance. Compiler and Mermaid are handicapped to an ounce on their Lingfield form, but I slightly prefer the chance of the mare, who was second to Deflation in this race last year, and has only a few pounds more to carry now.

Priory Park may not run, but Cynos, on the same mark in the handicap, must have a chance. Equator ran a good race as a two-year-old on this same course, but he may not be too reliable now. Good chances can be given to both the Irish-trained candidates, Fohanaun and Knocklong Boy. On this side of the Channel both have put up good performances against a great sprinter like Phalaros. The older horse seems the better handicapped here, but Fohanaun, on what he has done with the other two-year-olds in Ireland last year, would seem to have more class on his side.

I believe that Perhaps So is a good deal fancied, and it may be noted that the stable accepted with her instead of Bewitched, whom I thought to be well handicapped. She was fourth in this race last year, and now has 7lb. less to carry, so a bold display may be expected from her. I am inclined to think that the race will be won by one of the three-year-olds, and on what I saw him do at Ascot I give MONK'S WAY a preference over Fohanaun.

The Southport T.Y.O. Plate will produce some fair two-year-olds, and the best of them may be the TETRAGYNIA COLT, who has been well galloped and may beat Chandos.

There is racing at Lanark, also, to-day, where EAGLESHOLT may win the Lowther Handicap, and BEAGLE the Cleghorn Maiden T.Y.O. Plate.

RACING AT LEICESTER.

The racing at Leicester this afternoon was thin stuff, and the Leicestershire Oaks dwindled to a field of three runners, in which odds of 2 to 1 were laid on **Lord Astor's Gay Bird**. As in the Coronation Stakes, she allowed herself to be beaten, for she began to stop coming up the rise when in the lead, and Donoghue brought Witful, a sister of North Walsham, to run her out of it, and then Skylove, the outsider of the party, came to divide the pair, Witful winning by a head and two lengths.

For the third time in succession, Lady Helen McCalmont's Tetratema colt, Tetra Glass, has finished second. In the Wiston Hall Plate he found one too good for him in Stanley Wootton's filly, Brisena, who beat him by a length and a half, Roman Empire finishing half a length away, third.

Mr. Lowry's Taxing Master started joint favourite for the Evington Plate with Palefroi, but both were beaten by the 100 to 6 chance, Poliwog, trained by De Winton for Sir Ernest Wills. Palefroi dropped back after making the running when they had gone a little more than half-way, and then the Stewards' Cup candidate, Bay Friar, took it up, with Taxing Master second. Poliwog, who had been badly away, made up a lot of ground coming up the hill, and Dines got her up to win a good race by half a length and a neck from Palefroi and Taxing Master.

GALTEE MORE.

FORM HORSES.

LIVERPOOL.

2. 0—Erosion. 3.30—Compiler.
2.30—Golden Flake. 4. 0—Sickle.
3. 0—Review Order.* 4.30—Chandos.

LANARK.

2. 0—Forest Monk. 3.30—Pensive filly.
2.30—Glenaimmon. 4. 0—Rushaway.
3. 0—The Mahdi. 4.30—Scotch Trout.

Eclipse.

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

Entries close to-day for the Irish classic races of 1926, viz., the 1,000 Guineas, the 2,000 Guineas, the Derby, the Oaks, and the St. Leger.

Owners and trainers should note that entries must be made to-day for the Phœnix Park Second August, Naas September, and Limerick Junction August meetings.

James Doyle, the Curragh jockey, was twice successful in the saddle at Ayr meeting yesterday.

Bull Bee, a brown colt by Honey Bee—Plunkette, having been sold to the Irish Bloodstock Agency, has left Newmarket for Ireland.

S. Donoghue will have the mount on Sparus for the Liverpool Cup, this being Manton's only representative in the race.

Spearfish will not turn out for the Apprentice Plate at Lanark to-day.

Mr. W. B. Purefoy has bought, on behalf of Mr. A. Bendir, Silver Lark from Mrs. C. J. McKean for 7,000 guineas. The three-year-old son of Silvern and Laverock ran second to Embargo in the Irish Derby.

Solario, engaged in the Atlantic Cup, and Sir Kenneth, engaged in the Liverpool Cup, are doubtful runners at Liverpool. It was originally reported that Solario would meet his engagement.

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CURRAGH TRAINING NOTES.

A fine morning. THE CURRAGH, Tuesday.

PARKINSON'S Louvixen, Luxmore, and Bawn-na-Glas went a mile and a quarter at a nice pace; Grosvenor's Reward and Grosvenor's Pride joined them, and Green went a good mile and a quarter; Sprig of Fish, Mariner's Horse, Common Somme, Web, Sweet Honey, Athgarret, and others of the string were usefully employed.

DAWSON'S Argentan was sent a sharp six furlongs; Kildarra Boy, Prudent Pat, Rosmeen, Toy Island, and Chicane cantered six furlongs; the remainder of the team had bouts of healthy exercise.

ROGERS'S Vesington Star covered six furlongs at a nice pace; Pursued, Good-Bye, Fiftington, Free from Care, Crotanstown, Ballybrophy, Sadie, Its White Orb, Moortown, and others were usefully employed.

HARTIGAN'S Athbeg, Actrix, Nantenan, Fedamore, Gainsharp, Loch Hume, and Irish Ben were usefully employed.

FORDRED'S Amatol, Mollor, Minervus, Muscatel, Coinage, and Gerrard went five furlongs at half-speed.

PERRY'S Golden Isa, Silvertown, Blue Look Out, The Kid, and Missed the Train cantered three furlongs.

BRARAZON'S Rochelor's Heir and Hollywood cantered six furlongs; Puffin and Lord Burdon went five furlongs.

DOYLE'S Fairiay, Lisles, and Marten's Light went six furlongs usefully; Leonora, Andy, and May Orb cantered five furlongs.

COOMBS'S Betsey Belle and Saorstat traversed a mile at a good pace; others of the team had bouts of healthy exercise.

BEHAN'S Poppy Day, Fair Head, and Peace River cantered five furlongs; West Indies, Barnard Bee, Resinated Bee, Morsala, Lasso, Suet, White Spear, Parkgate, and River Thames were usefully employed.

W. Howard, the Osborne Lodge jockey, has been engaged to ride Knocklong Boy in the Molyneux Stakes at Liverpool.

SELECTIONS FOR THE CURRAGH—TO-DAY.

Rathbride Plate—LEANDER or ACTUARY.
Brownstown Plate—ATHGARRET.
Irish Oaks—RESPLENDENT.
Curragh Plate—ARGOZONE.
Ballymanus Plate—BELSAY BELLE.
Probationers' Stakes—COMMON GOOD.

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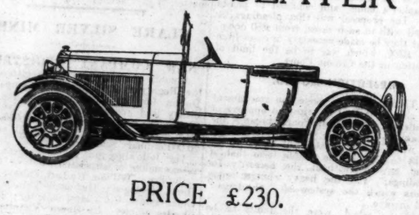

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THE CURRAGH.

RUNNERS SCARCE.

LORD WEMBLEY'S FIFTH.

It can truthfully be said that the sport on the opening day of the July meeting at the Curragh did not come up to expectations. The recent rainfall had taken the "jar" out of the ground, and consequently one might have reasonably looked for at least fair-sized fields at the headquarters of the Irish Turf, where there are so many horses in training; yet the sum total of the runners for the half-dozen races, worth in the aggregate £6880, only reached thirty-five. However, if the racing was not unduly exhilarating, the day was beautifully fine, and backers fared very well.

Pink Hawthorn, who, last time out, had finished second to Lord Wembley, from whom she was receiving a lot of weight, went one better in the Scurry Plate, in which she readily disposed of the more fancied Athshannon and five others. The favourite was very quick into his stride and led for nearly five furlongs, but once Pink Hawthorn was given her head she put the issue beyond doubt in a few strides. The odds laid on King's Falloch for the Pollardstown Plate were landed with consummate ease from Saoratat, who was backed with no little confidence to beat him, but Colonel Honner's useful horse had his measure at every stage of the race, which was little more than an exercise canter for the son of King's Ransom.

The July Selling Plate proved a more exciting affair, Foretell, well ridden by E. M. Quirke, scoring cleverly by a short head from Scarlet Shrimp, this being her third successive win within a period of ten days.

It was disappointing to find only three runners forthcoming for the principal event of the day, the Drogheda Memorial Stakes, and as a contest it was also disappointing, for neither Nanteman nor Shannon Scheme could get within hail of Lord Wembley, who always commanded the situation and won a fast run race in effortless fashion. Mr. W. A. Wallis's good colt has certainly paid his way this year, yesterday's being his fifth win out of seven starts, and he should do further useful service for his owner before long.

The biggest field of the day, eight, went to the post for the Apprentices' Plate, which furnished a rattling set-to, out of which New Barn, served by stronger jockeyship, squeezed home in front of Buchan's Bridge and Loch Lomond, who dead-heated for second place, but the latter, who was going great guns in the last furlong, was a trifle unlucky not to win. As was presaged in the wagering, the Stand Plate was practically reduced to a match between Fedamore and White Coral, and Joseph Canty, on the former, had to put in some of his best work before gaining the fist by a narrow margin.

Details:—

2.15—SCURRY PLATE of 200 sovs., of which the second receives 20 sovs., and the third 10 sovs. A handicap. 6 f. 63 yds.

Mr. J. J. Rogers's br. f. PINK HAWTHORN, by By George!—Queen of the Hawthorns, 3, 7-9 ..... W. Hamill 1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ATHSHANNON, 5-8 ..... Jos. Canty 2
Mrs. J. H. C. Bartholomew's BUFFOON, 4, 6-9 ..... John Doyle 3
Mrs. T. Coombs's Ceylonese, 4, 9-0 ..... Jos. Hunter 0
Mr. A. M'Cann's Ardaslagh, 5, 8-9 ..... J. Flood 0
Mr. F. S. Myerscough's Actrix, 3, 8-8 ..... M. Wing 0
Mr. W. Slocock's Lady Lucienne, 3, 6-8 ..... P. O'Brien 0

Betting—2 to 1 agst. Athshannon, 5 to 2 PINK HAWTHORN, 4 to 1 each Ardaslagh and Right Away, 6 to 1 Actrix, 20 to 1 each Buffoon and Ceylonese.

Athshannon made the running from Pink Hawthorn, Actrix, Ardaslagh, and Buffoon, to the entrance, where Pink Hawthorn assumed command and won easily by a length, three lengths divided second and third. Ardaslagh was fourth and Actrix last.

Time—1 min. 17 1-5 secs.

2.45—POLLARDSTOWN PLATE of 100 sovs., of which the second receives 10 sovs., and the third 5 sovs. Weight for age, etc. 1½ m.

Colonel Honner's br. c. KING'S FALLOCH, by King's Ransom—Little Falloch, 5, 10-0 ..... Jos. Canty 1
Mr. J. J. M'Auley's SAORSTAT, 5, 10-0 ..... Jos. Fitzgerald 2
Mrs. Darby Rogers's EMPRESS FOREST, a, 8-9 ..... M. Beasley 3
Mr. R. Philpot's Hysterics, 4, 9-7 ..... J. Moylan 0
Mr. G. P. Crosbie's Jockanoir, a, 8-9 ..... M. Fitzgerald 0

Betting—5 to 4 KING'S FALLOCH, 4 to 1 Saorstat, 20 to 1 Empress Forest or any other.

Saorstat made the pace to Crochannie, Empress Forest, Saorstat, and King's Falloch, but from the entrance, where King's Falloch and Saorstat drew clear away from Crochannie, holding the lead for the remainder of the journey, King's Falloch ran home a length and a half in front of Saorstat, second and third. Hysterics was fourth and Somme Web next.

Time—2 mins. 16 4-5 secs.

3.25—JULY SELLING PLATE of 100 sovs., of which the second receives 10 sovs., and the third 5 sovs. For two years old. 5 f.

Mr. J. J. Parkinson's br. f. FORETELL, by Sainfoin—Quaquaversal, dam by Sunbridge—Venetian Maid, 8-4 ..... E. M. Quirke 1
Mr. J. V. Rowan's SCARLET SHRIMP, 9-5 ..... P. Lenehan 2
Mr. J. Spicer's PRAIRIE BLOSSOM, 8-10 ..... Jos. Canty 3
Mr. H. M. Silcock's Hippeas, 9-0 ..... A. Barrett 0
Mr. J. T. Rogers's Brannockstown, 8-10 ..... C. Hamshaw 0

Betting—Even Scarlet Shrimp, 6 to 4 agst. Foretell, 6 to 1 Prairie Blossom, 20 to 1 any other.

Foretell led from Scarlet Shrimp, Prairie Blossom, and Brannockstown. Inside the distance Scarlet Shrimp challenged, but failed to get on terms, Foretell winning by a short head; five lengths divided second and third. Brannockstown was fourth.

Time—52 secs.

The winner was bought in for 150 sovs.

3.55—DROGHEDA MEMORIAL STAKES of 300 sovs., of which the second receives 30 sovs., and the third 20 sovs. Weight for age, etc. 5f.

Mr. W. A. Wallis's br. c. LORD WEMBLEY, by Tredennis—Captain Princess, 3, 9-8 ..... M. Wing 1
Captain R. B. Brassey's NANTENAN, 9-8 ..... Jos. Canty 2
Mr. John Doyle's SHANNON SCHEME, 2, 7-0 ..... John Doyle 3

(Winner trained by J. Staunton.)

Betting—6 to 4 on LORD WEMBLEY, 6 to 1 agst. Nanteman, 50 to 1 Shannon Scheme.

Lord Wembley led from Shannon Scheme and Nanteman, four furlongs. Then Nanteman took command, but could make no impression on Lord Wembley, who won in a canter by six lengths; two lengths divided second and third.

Time—69 2-5 secs.

4.25—THE APPRENTICES' PLATE of 100 sovs., of which the second receives 10 sovs. and the third 5 sovs. Weight for age, etc. 6f.

Captain Brassey's b. NEW BARN, by Hainault—Jubilee, 5, 7-0 ..... P. O'Donoghue 1
Mr. Gill's HARMONIA, 5, 6-9 ..... Condron 2
Mr. O'Brien's SWEET LOCH LOMOND, 5, 6-12 ..... Prendergast 3
Mrs. Darby Rogers's Shining Willow, 4, 7-0 ..... J. O'Brien 0
Mrs. Valentine's Maitresse, 4, 7-1 ..... Jos. Hunter 0
Mr. J. J. Parkinson's Sweet Honey, 3, 6-12 ..... G. McQuillan 0
Mr. Murphy's Buchan's Bridge, 3, 6-12 ..... W. Rea 0
Mr. O. T. Slocock's Lady Lucienne, 3, 6-8 ..... P. O'Brien 0

*Dead-heat for second place.

(Winner trained by H. Hartigan.)

Betting—6 to 4 agst. Sweet Loch Lomond, 3 to 1 each NEW BARN and Buchan's Bridge, 20 to 1 Harmonia or any other.

New Barn, striking off the quickest, carried on the running from Harmonia, Sweet Loch Lomond, and Buchan's Bridge. Inside the distance Sweet Loch Lomond and Harmonia closed with New Barn, but in a fine finish the last-named held her own, and won by a length; a dead heat for second place, Sweet Honey was fourth and Buchan's Bridge next.

Time—1 min. 14 4-5 secs.

4.55—THE STAND PLATE of 150 sovs., of which the second receives 15 sovs. and the third 10 sovs. A handicap. 1 m.

Captain R. B. Brassey's b. f. FEDAMORE, by Spearmint—Minerva, 3, 8-9 ..... Jos. Canty 1
Mr. W. T. de Pledge's WHITE CORAL, 5, 9-7 ..... J. Moylan 2
Mr. C. Fagan's LORD BURDON, 4, 9-0 ..... J. H. Harty 3
Mr. P. J. Murphy's Lisleo, 5, 10-0 ..... D. Ward 0
Mr. C. T. Vandeleur's Tangle Toes, 4, 10-0 ..... A. Barrett 0

(Winner trained by H. Hartigan.)

Betting—6 to 4 each agst. FEDAMORE and White Coral, 6 to 1 each Tangle Toes and The Kid, 10 to 1 Lord Burdon, 50 to 1 Lisleo.

Tangle Toes showed the way to Fedamore, White Coral, Lord Burdon, and The Kid, for six furlongs, when Fedamore drew to the front, and, holding White Coral at bay, won by half a length; three lengths divided second and third. Tangle Toes was fourth.

Time—1 min. 41 4-5 secs.

THE IRISH OAKS.

TO-DAY'S RACE.

The sport should attain to a higher plane to-day, which will see the decision of the Irish Oaks, which, however, will not attract more than half a dozen runners, but the other events may fill out better in this respect. Plans have been changed with regard to Bella Minna, who will be an absentee, and the following are the

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS.

RESPLENDENT, b. f., by By George—Sunbridge (Mr. D. Sullivan) (Persse). 9-7
LADY LAWLESS, b. f., by Son-in-Law—Entanglement (the Aga Khan) (R. Dawson). 9-4
AMATOL, ch. f., by Prince Hermogenes—(Mr. A. B. Coyle) (Fordred). 9st. ....C. Smirke
ERIN GREEN, b. f., by Irishman—Alvuelo (Mr. T. P. O'Kelly) (Parkinson). 9st. ....M. Wing
*LEONORA, b. f., by Athlone—Leonid (Mr. F. Dunne Cullinan) (Doyle). 9st. ....R. M. Quirke
ARGENTAN, b. f., by Argos—The Pilo (Major D. Dixon) (M. Dawson). 9st. ....James Doyle
*Doutiful. ....Jos. Canty

On the running in the English Oaks, Resplendent should again account for the other English-trained candidate, Lady Lawless, who was fourth to her second in that race, and still going by the "book" Mr. Sullivan's filly ought to beat Erin Green and Argentan, both of whom she readily defeated in the Irish 1,000 Guineas. The latter is reported to have come on a good deal since then, and should run well, but **Lady Lawless** may prove the chief danger to

RESPLENDENT.

Other selections are appended:—

Rathbride Plate—**Leander**; if absent, **Tag End.**

Brownstown Plate—**Buzzing Bee,** Curragh Plate—**Striped Satin.**
Ballymanus Plate—**Kiltaghan.**
Probationers' Stakes—**Fairyman** or **Ina's Gift.**

2.15—RATHBRIDE PLATE of 200 sovs., of which the second receives 20 sovs. and the third 10 sovs. A handicap for two years old. 5 f.

	st. lb.
LEANDER (Mr. J. J. M'Auley) ....Coombs	9 3
PUFFIN (Mrs. M. A. Scott) ....Brannon	8 12
TAG END (Mr. H. I. Usher) ....Owner	8 12
INDIAN HERO (Mr. C. A. Rogers) ....Arrotti	8 5
WHITE SPEAR (Major Dixon) ....Behan	8 2
TIMBUCKTOO (Sir G. S. Murray) ....Hunter	8 1
INA'S GIFT (Mr. C. L. Mackean) ....Owner	8 1
ROYAL HERDINE (Mr. F. Evans) ....Ray	8 1
PHILALICE (Mr. D. Murray) ....Perry	7 11
CROTANSTOWN (Mrs. J. Rogers) ....Owner	7 10
DIAVOLETTA (Mr. A. M'Cann) ....Owner	7 10
BALLYSCANLON (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Coombs	7 9
CUDDELDEW'S PET (Mr. J. Parkinson) ....Owner	7 8
ZORRO PARDO (Mr. T. Coombs) ....Jeffery	7 8
BELLE AURORE (Mrs. T. Coombs) ....Owner	7 7
ROYAL AIMEE (Mr. T. Coombs) ....Coombs	7 7
STRIPED SLEEVES (Mr. R. Power) ....Arrotti	7 6
ATHGARRET (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Owner	7 6
WHITE CHARTREUSE (Mr. Daly Rogers) ....D. Rogers	7 5
RAVENSTONE (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....D. Rogers	7 5
ACYTH (Mr. W. F. Gill) ....Owner	7 5

2.45—THE BROWNSTOWN PLATE of 100 sovs., of which the second receives 10 sovs. and the third 5 sovs. Weight for age, etc. 5 f.

	Age st. lb.
HAZEL GROVE (Mr. Jos. Read) ....Coombs	4 8 12
MARTEN'S LIGHT (Mr. Monahan) ....Doyle	3 8 7
MAIDEN ROSE (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Parkinson	3 8 7
GOLDEN BEEF (Capt. J. J. Clune) ....Kenny	4 8 6
GRISETTE (Mr. C. Cornelius) ....Kenny	4 8 6
PORTLAND (Mrs. Gerald Dunne) ....Blake	3 8 6
THE LEAP (Mr. C. E. Fagan) ....Gleeson	4 8 6
SADIE (Capt. Harding) ....Gleeson	4 8 6
RIGHTING (Colonel Honner) ....Rogers	3 8 6
BUZZING BEE (Miss M. Morris) ....Jackson	3 8 6
THE GLED (Mr. T. K. Laidlaw) ....Behan	3 8 0
MARINER'S HOPE (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Coombs	3 8 0
MOLLOY (Mr. F. S. Myerscough) ....Parkinson	3 8 0
SPELL OF GRASS (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Jeffery	3 8 0
PURSUED (Mr. J. T. Rogers) ....Parkinson	3 8 0
GOOD-BYE (Mr. J. T. Rogers) ....Owner	3 8 0
SILERON (Mrs. T. H. Wallace) ....Wallace	3 8 0

3.25—THE IRISH OAKS of 2,500 sovs., of which the breeder of the winner and the owner of the second receives 150 sovs. each, and the breeder of the second and the owner of third 75 sovs. each. For three years old fillies, 9st. each. Winners extra. 1½ m.

	st. lb.
BELLA MINNA (Colonel Fairfax) ....Beatty	9 7
ALLIES (Mr. A. H. Macauley) ....Owner	9 7
RESPLENDENT (Mr. D. Sullivan) ....Owner	9 7
LADY LAWLESS (The Aga Khan) ....Persse	9 7
LOUSHKA (Lord Lonsdale) ....R. Dawson	9 7
ON WITH THE DANCE (Mrs. E. A. Dodd) ....R. Dawson	9 4
LEONORA (Mr. P. Dunne Cullinan) ....Collins	9 0
Miss HAZEL OAK (Capt. R. Dale) ....Doyle	9 0
FAIR HEAD (Capt. Pitcairn) ....Fordred	9 0
LAWLESS (Major Dixon) ....Behan	9 0
LAW AND ORDER (Lord Furness) ....M. Dawson	9 0
HONNER'S DAUGHTER (Lord Furness) ....Drake	9 0
SWEET MINT (Mr. Gerald Dunne) ....Drake	9 0
ROSSINIA (Colonel Honner) ....Honner	9 0
THALOM (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Fordred	9 0
SCARTAGLEN (Mr. C. Auley) ....Coombs	9 0
PRIVATE PEACE (Mr. R. Power) ....Doyle	9 0
FLOWER OF THE FOAM (Mr. James White) ....Harper	9 0
BEAUTIFUL SUN (Mr. James White) ....Ward	9 0
MIRA (Mr. James White) ....Ward	9 0
STELARIA (Mr. James White) ....Ward	9 0
PETAMORE (Capt. R. B. Brassey) ....H. Hartigan	9 0
QUEEN OF THE SEA (Mr. C. O'Neill) ....Parkinson	9 0
WHITE MAIZE (Mr. Cundell) ....Owner	9 0

3.55—CURRAGH PLATE of 300 sovs., of which the second receives 30 sovs. and the third 20 sovs. A handicap. 1½ m.

	st. lb.
FAIR HEAD (9th, ex.) (Capt. Pitcairn) ....H. Hartigan	3 9 10
GOLDEN BIRD (Mr. Jos. Read) ....Owner	3 9 4
ARDAGLOSE (Mr. J. M'Auley) ....Coombs	3 9 2
FOLLE FARINE (9th, ex.) (Mr. P. J. Murphy) ....Doyle	3 8 13
MAY ORB (9th, ex.) (Mr. P. J. Murphy) ....Doyle	4 8 13
GOLDEN INA (Mr. W. Coffey) ....Doyle	4 8 13
PINK HAWTHORN (9th, ex.) (Mr. J. Rogers) ....Perry	3 8 12
SHADZA (Mr. W. T. de Pledge) ....Robertson	3 8 11
PEACE RIVER (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Owner	3 8 8
FESSINGTON BEE (Mr. J. Parkinson) ....Owner	3 8 8
LEONORA BEE (Mr. C. T. Waite Bakes) ....Owner	3 8 8
IMMATERIAL (Mr. F. Dunne Cullinan) ....Doyle	3 8 8
NO DECEIT (9th, ex.) (Mr. J. J. M'Auley) ....Hunter	3 8 8
M'AT PAN OUT (Mr. J. V. Rowan) ....Coombs	4 8 2
STRIPED SATIN (Mr. R. Power) ....Arrotti	3 8 0
CORNISH (Mr. D. G. Dickson) ....Arrotti	3 8 0
TUTTIFRUTTI (Mr. Daly Rogers) ....Jeffery	3 8 0
PROTECTIONIST (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Hunter	4 7 12
ARDAGLOSE (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Owner	4 7 8

4.25—BALLYMANUS PLATE of 100 sovs., of which the second receives 10 sovs., and the third 5 sovs. A handicap for all ages. 1 m.

	Age st. lb.
RAWN-NA-GLAS (Mr. W. J. Parkinson) ....Parkinson	6 11 2
PEARLMORE (Miss M'Donnell) ....Parkinson	6 11 2
BROKEN VOW (Mr. Shaw) ....McGrath	4 10 5
LUACMORE (Mr. O'Neill) ....Parkinson	4 10 0
KILTAGHAN (7th, ex.) (Mr. Tyrrell) ....Usher	4 10 0
SILVER RIVER (Mrs. R. Adams) ....Kenny	5 9 7
TIRANOGUE (Mr. Ashe) ....Kenny	5 9 7
MISS DRUCE (Mr. Farrell) ....Manley	4 9 3
O MAY (Mr. A. Wilde) ....Manley	4 9 3
LITTLE CLAPPER (Mr. Shaw) ....Patterson	4 9 0
SAORSTAT (Mr. Shaw) ....Patterson	4 9 0
TONY LAD (Mr. J. M'Cann) ....Coombs	5 9 0
LETHAM (Mr. Wilkinson) ....Usher	6 9 0
BELSAMAGOR (Mrs. Dodd) ....Collins	6 9 0
BELSAMAAR (Mr. Dodd) ....Coombs	4 8 12
EASTER HERO (Mr. W. Watson) ....Collins	4 8 9
CAPTAIN R. B. BRASSEY'S (Mr. J. H. G. Bartholomew) ....Dwyer	6 8 7

4.55—PROBATIONERS' STAKES of 200 sovs., of which the second receives 20 sovs. and the third 10 sovs. For two years old. 6 f.

	st. lb.
TIMBUCKTOO (5lb.) (Sir G. S. Murray) ....Hunter	8 7
FAIRY MAN (5lb.) (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Owner	8 7
BRENDA'S GIFT (5lb.) (Mr. T. Coombs) ....Coombs	8 7
CROW FALLOCH (Mr. J. F. Blake) ....Blake	8 7
BINN'S BRITOMA (Mr. J. J. Leech) ....Dwyer	8 7
COINAGE (Mr. F. S. Myerscough) ....Stanston	8 7
OFFSIDE (5lb.) (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Fordred	8 7
NELL GWYNNE (5lb and 5lb.) (Mr. J. Hunter) ....Owner	8 7
E. and O.E. (Captain R. B. Brassey) ....H. Hartigan	8 7
CELTIC ROSE (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Owner	8 7
MISS O'HARA (Mr. J. Coyle) ....Fordred	8 7
CROTANSTOWN (Mr. J. J. Rogers) ....Owner	8 7
SCARLET SHRIMP (Mr. J. V. Rowan) ....Owner	8 7
SPRINTER (5lb.) (Mr. J. T. Baird) ....Behan	8 7
CARLOW (5lb.) (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ....Behan	8 6
BUCHAN'S PRIDE (5lb.) (Mr. W. T. de Pledge) ....Owner	8 6
WESTGEFRIOW (5lb.) (Mr. A. Turner) ....Jeffery	8 6
KING HERMES (5lb.) (MAN OF WAR) (Mr. F. S. Myerscough) ....Fordred	8 6
SHREWD KING (5lb.) (Mr. H. M. Hartigan) ....Owner	8 6
RANOGUE (5lb.) (Captain R. B. Brassey) ....Owner	8 6
ROSY EAGER (5lb.) (Mr. H. Hartigan) ....H. Hartigan	8 2
SHINING PRINCESS (5lb.) (Mr. J. J. M'Auley) ....Coombs	8 2
AMARANTH (5lb.) (Mr. M. Cunningham) ....Owner	8 2
PRINCESS LEILA (5lb.) (Mr. E. Tranor) ....Doyle	8 2
COMMON GOOD (8lb. and 5lb.) (Mr. J. Parkinson) ....Owner	8 1
EL KANTARA (5lb. and 5lb.) (Mr. D. Sullivan) ....Owner	8 1
GEORGIE BEDE (5lb. and 5lb.) (Mr. J. Cees) ....Dwyer	8 1
BELLE AURORE (5lb. and 5lb.) (Mrs. Coombs) ....Coombs	7 11

SALE OF SILVER LARK.

Acting on behalf of Mr. A. Bendir, Mr. W. B. Purefoy has purchased from Mrs. Mackean the three-year-old Silver Lark, by Silvern, out of Laverock, for 7,000 guineas. Mr. C. L. Mackean bought Silver Lark as a foal for 550 guineas, and made a present of him to his wife. Last month in the Irish Derby he only succumbed to Embargo by half a length after a great race, and he is to run at the Curragh September Meeting. Silver Lark's sons into E. Harper's stable at East Everleigh, Wiltshire.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Westminster Gazette:—To-day's best—Tetragynia colt.
Daily Express:—Safety bet—Priory Park. Double—Review Order and Priory Park.
Daily Mirror:—Double—Inca and Merchants' Flag (nap).
Daily Graphic:—Double—Il Soriso de Sabato and Henna Girl.

LIVERPOOL

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

A very attractive programme is down for decision at the opening stage of the Liverpool Summer Meeting to-day. The St. George Stakes and the Molyneux Cup are the principal features, and from a wagering point of view the latter event will make the most appeal. Scherzo will probably not attempt the formidable task of conceding weight all round, and in his absence Inca will shoulder top weight. The Manton filly has made great improvement recently, but a slightly longer distance might suit her better. There is much to be said in favour of Monk's Way, who should again finish in front of Golden Fairy. Compiler should run well, while Equator appears to have an excellent chance of atoning for previous failures, as the horse was never better handicapped. Perhaps So is a speedy beginner, and this means a lot, while Irish trainers have a couple of worthy representatives in Fohanaun and Knocklong Boy. The best may be Perhaps So and Equator, the former being slightly preferred. The St. George Stakes appears to rest between Review Order, Booklet, and Caissot, and the preference is in the order named. Selections:—

Grasmere Selling—**Erosion.**
Church House Selling—**Coroleta.***
St. George Stakes—**Review Order.**
Molyneux Cup—**Perhaps So.**
Mersey Stakes—**Sickle.**
Southport Plate—**Chandos.**

TO-DAY'S DOUBLE.

Coroleta (Livarpool) and **Quibble colt** (Lanark).

2.0—GRASMERE MAIDEN THREE-YEAR OLD SELLING PLATE of 200 sovs. 5 f.

	st. lb.
MERRY BULL (Capt. G. Davy) ....Reatty	8 7
ORION'S BELT (Maj. McCalmont) ....Persse	8 7
BLACK STEFAN (Mr. R. Moreton) ....Owner	8 7
MERE FOLLY (Mr. S. Pickering) ....Owner	8 7
TETRAPETALOUS (Mr. Arkwright) ....Owner	8 7
WAVERING DOWN (Mr. Clarke) ....Hastings	8 4
TENSIVE (Sir H. Cunliffe-Owen) ....O. Bell	8 4
LADYBRIDGE (Mr. T. Davies) ....O. Bell	8 4
ISAURIA G. by Irish Elegance (Mr. R. Day) ....Owner	8 4
BELLEANNAN (Mr. Duckworth) ....C. Davis	8 4
EROSION (Lt. Dunham) ....P. Peck	8 4
RUCENE (Lt. Glanely) ....Leach	8 4
GREY CANOPY (Mr. J. Hassan) ....Higgs	8 4
WOOLSCOTT (Mrs. J. C. Lewis) ....Lines	8 4
RACHELDEW'S PATE (Mr. Lowry) ....Strong	8 4
INDIAN IMP (Mr. J. Robertson) ....Powney	8 4
MARTIAN (Mr. J. E. Rowson) ....Rimell	8 4
LITTLE ZIP (Mr. Stevens) ....Owner	8 4
BLINKING AGNES (Mr. Stewart) ....O. Bell	8 4

Form. Probable Starters and Jockeys. Forecast.	Betting
000 BLACK STEFAN ....Wilson	4/1
000 STETRAPETALOUS ....H. Beasley	6/1
040 WAVERING DOWN ....Owner	5/1
000 BELLANNAN ....Marshall	5/1
0-2 EROSION ....Weston	7/1
000 RUCENE ....Weston	7/4
0

LANARK.

PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

The Scottish circuit will be continued to-day with the commencement of a fixture at Lanark. The main attraction is the Lowther Handicap Plate, in which Dark Fox gives weight to his stable companion, The Mahdi, but the latter can hardly be fancied on his relative form this season. Orpi runs for Bazley in the Selling Plate, but here again there is no improvement on previous outings and he has to be passed over. Aryan has journeyed from Hamilton Park, but may find the company a trifle too good, and the winner may be found in Kinloch, who ran a good race when winning the John Osborne Handicap at Newcastle last month. Eagleshill is the danger. Selections:—

Apprentices Handicap—**Eagle's Corrie.**

Selling—**Jingle.**

Handicap—**Kinloch.**

Lauder Handicap—**Quibble colt.***

Eaglesham Plate—**Lippis.**

Stanton Plate—**Silabia.**

Guildford Plate—**Felicite.**

APPRENTICE HANDICAP PLATE of £200 sovs. Second receives 10 sovs. One mile.

	Age.	st. lb.
MACKET (Mr. T. Queen).....	Elsey	6 7 10
ORTH (Mr. H. Pickles).....	Bazley	5 7 10
SMITH (Mr. D. McLaren)		
ANDSCOURIED (Mr. D. McKay).....	Wyllie	4 7 9
ELICITE (Mrs. F. Smith) (10lb. ex.)		
.....	J. Lyall	3 7 6
ES CORRIE (Mr. J. Green) (7lb. ex.)		
.....	Hammett	3 7 3
RONX (Sir L. Green) (7lb. ex.)		
.....	Hammett	3 7 3
AHDI (Mrs. Hartigan)... M. Hartigan		4 7 0
MONGER (Mr. J. Thompson)		
.....	Peacock	4 6 9
ELDRAKE (Capt. H. Whitworth)		
.....	J. Renwick	3 6 7
A BRIDGE (Mr. J. Bell-Irving)		
.....	R. Armstrong	3 6 4
ESK (Mr. W. Wylie).....	Orchet	5 6 3
(The above have arrived.)		
ERRON (Sir L. Green) (10lb. ex.)		
.....	Armstrong	4 8 7
ODTIME (Mrs. E. Reynolds)		
.....	G. Armstrong	6 8 0
OSIAK (Mr. J. Hartley).....	Bazley	4 7 11
ERNSIDE (Mr. A. Beadle)... E. Harper		3 7 8
ERNSIDE (Mr. F. O'Sullivan)... Owner		6 7 7
ORKOS (Mr. H. Barrington)... Peacock		3 6 10
ILLOW PATTERN (Sir G. Renwick)		
.....	W. Renwick	4 8 6 7
ITH'S BOTTLE (Mr. R. Renton)... Owner		4 6 5
HE LASS ROSE (Mr. E. O'Sullivan)		
.....	Owner	3 6 5
OTHAN FLOWER (Mr. J. Dugdale)		
.....	Peacock	3 6 0
OD BUCCANEER (Lord Barnby)		
.....	Peacock	3 6 0

2.30—DONNINGTON SELLING HANDICAP PLATE of 150 sovs. Second saves one.

	Age.	st. lb.
ntrance (Lady Green).....	Hammett	4 8 11
NGER (Lady Green).....	Hammett	4 8 9
NGLE (Mr. L. Green).....	Bazley	4 8 7
NGLE (Mr. Pickles).....	Flynn	6 8 7
NVILLE (Mr. F. Rhodes).....	Elsey	5 7 10
RDER CHIEF (Mr. R. Jardine)		
RDER CHIEF (Mr. W. Wyllie)... Wyllie		5 7 9
RTHY (Mr. G. Dodds).....	Peacock	3 7 8
RVINE (Mr. J. Bell-Irving)		
RVINE (Mr. J. J. Bell-Irving)		
T BELL (Mr. J. Ainsworth)		
.....	R. Armstrong	3 7 5
WALLFLOWER (Mr. P. Ainsworth)		
.....	Bazley	5 7 5
ZITATION (Mrs. F. C. Smith)		
.....	J. Lyall	3 7 2
ELSPRINGS (Mrs. F. L. C. Plummer)		
.....	Beaumont	3 7 1
ZITATE (Mr. A. L. Ormrod)		
.....	M. Hartigan	4 7 1
(The above have arrived.)		
UBERRY (Mr. G. Macbeth-Menzies)		
.....	Sullivan	3 6 13
ROAT (Mr. R. Hartley).....	Kidley a	8 6
ROMA (Mr. A. Skelton) (10lb. ex.)		
.....	Owner	3 8 0
ROMA (Mr. T. Plummer).....	Beaumont	4 7 13
ROMA (Mr. F. Smith).....	J. Lyall	3 7 11
ROWSTER (Mrs. F. Smith).....	J. Lyall	3 7 1
ROWSTER (Mr. J. McLean).....	Owner	3 7 0
RUMMOND (Mr. A. L. Ormrod)		
.....	Bartlropp	4 7 7
ILLIAM'S MOUNT (Mr. F. Armstrong)		
.....	Owner	3 7 7
ITCHAT (Mr. A. Anderson)... J. Ward		3 7 7
ITCH DOWNICK (Mr. G. Bastard).....		3 7 7
ITCH HEART (Mr. W. F. Egerton)		
.....	R. Armstrong	3 7 5
ITCH OF WIT (Mr. W. Riley Smith)...	Peacock	6 7 1
ITCH OF GOLD (Mr. G. Gunter).....	Owner	5 7 1
ITCH HOOD (Mr. J. McCall)... Owner		4 7 1
ITCHSIMMON (Capt. A. Stanley Wilson)		
.....	Storie	5 7 1
ITCH LEAF (Mrs. M. C. O'Brien)		
.....	Tapp	4 7 1

4.0—LOWTHER HANDICAP PLATE of 300 sovs. Second receives 50 sovs. and third 20 sovs. 1½ m.

	Age.	st. lb.
GREYSTEEL (Mr. J. Hartley)		
.....	Bazley a	9 7
RK FOX (Sir Charles Hyde)...	Bazley a	9 5
TINGHAM (Mr. G. Macbeth-Menzies)		
.....	O'Sullivan	6 9 3
STIC (Mrs. R. Don).....	Thomson	6 9 3
PT (Mrs. H. D. Bazley).....	Bazley a	8 7
YAN (Mrs. A. Bendir) (7lb. ex.)		
.....	E. Harper	3 8 3
OYO MONASTE (Sir George Renwick)		
.....	J. Renwick	4 7 12
RE MAIDI (Sir Charles Hyde)...	Scobie	4 7 11
LGIAN BOY (Mr. L. A. Openehein)		
.....	Barthropp a	7 9
AGLESHOT (Mr. R. V. Hartley)		
.....	Ridley	3 7 8
NTAGE (Mr. F. Straker).....	Peacock	4 7 8
VOLI GIRL (Mr. W. Swire)		
.....	G. Armstrong	4 7 7
OAD GAUGE (Mr. James Bell)	McCall	4 7 3
EPIS ROCK (Mr. G. Macbeth-Menzies)		
.....	Owner	6 7 3
OLEMBERG (Lord Lonsdale)		
.....	R. Armstrong	4 7 0

Betting

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Forecast.
COTTINGHAM	J. Beasley	7/4
SAIL	Hulme	3/1
SO MONASTE	H. Stone	10/1
RE MARIAN	J. Doyle	9/2
RE MAIDI	J. Dempsey	7/2
EAGLESHOT	Harding	5/1
ZITATE	D. Morris	20/1
BROAD GAUGE	Glasgow	10/1
OLEMBERG	Lindsorg	10/1

4.30—CLEGHORN MAIDEN TWO-YEAR-OLD PLATE of 200 sovs. Second and third 30 sovs. 5 f. st. lb.

.....	D. Morris	5
.....	M. Vasey	8 12
.....	R. Armstrong	8 12
.....	Peacock	8 9
.....	J. Renwick	8 12
.....	Hammett	8 9
.....	Hammett	8 9
.....	Elsey	8 9
.....	Flynn	8 9
.....	Elsey	8 12
.....	McGuigan	8 12
.....	Storie	8 12
.....	R. Jones	8 9
.....	Storie	8 9
.....	Storie	8 12
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.....	Storie	8 12
.....	Storie	8 12

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